

**SHARPSBURG MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORK SESSION AGENDA
OCTOBER 30, 2025**

The Mayor and Council of Sharpsburg, MD held a work session on Thursday, October 30, 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, Councilmembers Anne-Marie McCullough, Heather Waters and Robbie Waters. Zoning Administrator Tim Lung was present via zoom.

W.C. Historic Preservation Tax Credit MOU – Zoning Administrator

The 1990 Ordinance adopted by the County has been repealed and reenacted in 2024 to expand the historic property tax credit to include certain historic structures in a “Qualified Municipality” which is designated by enacting a Memorandum of Understanding for Historic Preservation Tax Credit Eligibility Between the Town and the BOCC and the municipality for property owners who desire to voluntarily participate in the program with permitting review authority to be delegated to the W.C. Historic District Commission. The Resolution to adopt the MOU will be presented at the regular meeting in November.

Historic Park and Signage Update – Mayor Weaver

An appeal for a variance for the historic park signage will be scheduled with the BZA for the needed reduction in minimum setback of 75 feet.

- Discussed were the design and coloring of lettering to be utilized on the face of the stone base signage for the historic park. General consensus is to have white letters on a blue background and incorporate the town seal. Mayor Weaver will try to have a template made prior to the BZA hearing.

Unimproved Alley Way Usage – Mayor Weaver

Mayor Weaver discussed the feasibility of turning the smaller and un-improved alleys into walking paths/trails in town.

- Zoning Administrator Tim Lung addressed concerns brought to his attention from a resident on E. Antietam Street regarding several issues of various nature of which some may have to be brought to the attention of the health dept and parking violations which will be discussed with the towns Resident Deputy.

Chapline Street Culvert Drainage Issue - Mayor Weaver

The culvert that runs between the EMS and 112 W. Chapline St. has been cleared of sediment by both Huntzberry Brothers and R.W. Services, but still remains a problem with standing storm water and sewer storm drain issues that will require the assistance of both professional engineering services as well as the requested assistance of W.C.

- To provide for immediate relief of the standing stormwater, consensus is to have R.W. Services provide a quote to grade the area to provide for better flow of the stormwater.

Council Vacancy Status – Mayor Weaver

Inquiries have been made regarding the current council vacancy seat. Mayor Weaver stated that there are three- (3) options available to the Council; 1) continue with status quo; 2) advertise for applicants; or 3) wait until the 2026 election when the term expires and let the citizens determine through election. Consensus is to place the matter on the regular meeting agenda and vote for option 2.

Hometown Hero Banner Program - Councilmember R. Waters

Councilmember R. Waters stated that he has completed a pole count and proposes the re-opening of the program.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Debra A. Valentine-Smith, Town Administrator