

Special Town Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

12:30 p.m.

Town Hall - 104 N. King Street

The meeting is streamed on Town's Facebook page - "Shepherdstown, West Virginia"

Present: Mayor Jim Auxer, Lori Robertson (Recorder), Marty Amerikaner, Chris Stroeck, Cheryl Roberts, and Jenny Haynes (arrival 12:44 p.m.)

Absent: Leah Rumpy

Staff: Town Clerk Amy Boyd and Town Administrator Stephanie Grove.

Visitors: Steve Pearson

Agenda:

1. Call meeting to order

Call the meeting to order by Mayor Auxer at 12:30 p.m.

2. Public comment period.

Where noted.

3. State Budget Revision #1 - Action/Discussion

S. Grove - the first page is a state form for the budget revision. Stephanie went through the last two pages explaining the first page. When

adjusting the revenues & expenditures - they have to zero out. She went through each line item explaining the new line items and the reasons for them to make it more understandable. It does zero out.

L. Robertson - great job, its a lot of work.

**L. Robertson - move to approve the State Budget Revision #1.
Second by C. Roberts. No objections noted.**

4. Playground equipment proposal - Action/Discussion

Mayor - The finance committee approved to accept the proposal and to move forward with the cost of \$63,337.00.

C. Stroeck - this is the perfect type of project for a grant.

M. Amerikaner - we can get a plan for future projects.

C. Roberts - an agenda item will be for future projects for grants.

**C. Roberts - move to approve the playground equipment proposal.
Second by M. Amerikaner. No objections noted.**

5. Shepherdstown University Donation Request - Action/Discussion

The request is for \$4500 that will be used for tables and chairs in front of the library.

**L. Robertson - move to approve the Shepherdstown University
Donation Request. Second by C. Roberts. No objections noted.**

6. Written response to Department of Energy re: National Interest Electric
Transmission Corridors - Discussion/Action

C. Stroeck has offered to write the letter against the transmission corridor. It will not bring any power to us and will come up from the south and be near the river.

C. Roberts started to make a motion but withdrew it.

M. Amerikaner - any fear of risks; above ground large towers?

S. Pearson - stated that the open comment period was looking for environmental sensitivities, etc. Any letter sent at this point will fall on deaf ears and won't do us any good.

Mayor - the letter may be a moot point.

C. Stroeck - lets hold off so he can do more research and revisit it at the next council meeting.

6. Adjournment

L. Robertson - move to adjourn at 12:55 p.m. Second by M. Amerikaner. No objections noted.

Draft Minutes respectfully submitted by L. Robertson, Recorder for the Corporation of Shepherdstown.

