

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

February 12, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Valinda Hammons led attendants in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Dan May, *Council President*
Kelsey Chrisman, *Council member*
Jennifer Flora, *Council member*

Tim Rue, *Council Member*
Melissa Sargent, *Council member*
Shane Sargent, *Council Member*

ABSENT: None

CITIZENS: None

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE: Valinda Hammons, *Mayor*; Aaron Flora, *Village Administrator*; Heather Canan, *Fiscal Officer*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dan May makes a motion to approve minutes for January 12, 2026. Shane Sargent seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

BILLS IN REVIEW: May makes a motion to approve bills. Melissa Sargent seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

COMMENTS: None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. **Mayor's Report** – Linda Hammons let council know that Rue Bowman want to disconnect the water service to the bank so he does not have to pay for it. As far as council is concerned, he needs to continue paying that bill because water service is offered there. Council asked to contact our solicitor. Kelsey Chrisman and the mayor attended a seminar for new council members.
- b. **Village Solicitor's Report** – None.
- c. **Village Administrative/Zoning:** Aaron Flora let council know snow removal went really well. They really like the new truck. Flora asked Craig Knapke to come to a meeting in April to discuss moving forward for grants for street projects. We purchased two new pumps for the water plant. One to replace and one for back up. He would still like to get rid of the little truck. He also would like to look into replacing the tractor with a Bobcat. Council told him to get pricing and to see what kind of deals he can get. Dixon Engineering has done an inspection for warranty work and we are expecting a video and report. How many years are we contracted for Dixon to keep up inspections? May asked Flora if storm drains are open?
- d. **Fiscal Officer** – Heather Canan let council know that Scott Clark was checking on an alley that was closed in 2002 but wasn't recognized by the county. Canan found out it had never been turned in to the Recorder's office. She will take care of it. She is also working on end of the year reports. A finance meeting is planned for March 5, 2026 at the council house to go over the budget for the year.

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OTHER REPORTS:

- a. Park Board – Canan let council know that a park board meeting needs to be held. With Deanna Eikenberry in Hospice, its getting tough for Vern Eikenberry to continue taking care of everything that he is taking care of at the park. Council plans a meeting for March 12 at 6:30 p.m. for Park Board. Canan will contact members and ask them to attend. May suggests we look into how much it would cost to add more gravel to the park. Flora said he will look into get some quotes.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Designate committees

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mariuana Memoriam – This was put on the agenda to see how new council felt about it. Council asked to have the ordinance brought to the next meeting.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-1 - AUTHORIZING THE DARKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR ELECTRIC POWER FOR THE VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY

May makes a motion to approve first reading of Resolution 2026-1.
Chrisman seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

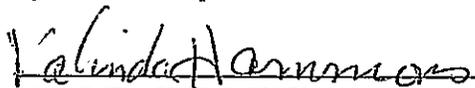
May makes a motion to suspend the rules and give second & third Readings by title only
M Sargent seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

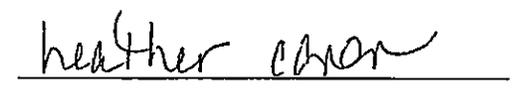
May makes a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-1.
Tim Rue seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

M Sargent makes a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-1 as an emergency
May seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

Shane Sargent makes a motion to adjourn meeting J. Flora seconds.

Meeting ends at 8:11 p.m.


VALINDA HAMMONS, MAYOR


HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER