VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

July 9, 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*

CITIZENS: Paula Harshbarger

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 June 11, 2026. Kelsey Chrisman 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 FROM THE PUBLIC: A resident said there is a drain by her property that has black top that is crumbling, washing out and stuff is growing out of it. Flora said he would take a look at it.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a. Mayor's Report – Linda Hammons attended the Mayor's Conference and met with Japanese companies that could be interested in bringing business to Gettysburg. Unfortunately, we do not have any current property available. She also said that Vanguard should be up and running soon.

b. Village Solicitor's Report – None.

c. Village Administrative/Zoning: Aaron Flora let council know that he is in the process of cleaning and finishing up the lot at the new water tower. He wants to find the plot lines to that property to make sure it's all village property before he installs a fence. He said he would look more into it.

d. Fiscal Officer – None.

OTHER REPORTS:

a. Park Board – Flora informed the council that we did receive a $3000 grant from the Darke County Parks Grant Program. We have purchased a new water fountain and will be purchasing some trees for our park. The Park board is also planning on painting the inside of the building. Tim Rue said that when he rented the building, he fell down using the new door handle. He came out and secured the handle so it wouldn't happen again. He also said that we needed to inform renters where the light switch was since it is so dark in there. After discussion, there is a plan to get a motion sensor light right inside the north door. Flora also said that he is having the pumps worked on at the park.

b. Water Superintendent – None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Zoning/Complaints – Chrisman brought complaints to the table that were brought to her. She said the drainage dip by her house and Parkman's need cleaned out. She also said that 204 & 206 E Main Street need

mowed and there are weeds in the street by school street. A zoning meeting was set for July 16, 2026 at 7 p.m. at the council house.

2. Adopt Midyear budget – M. Sargent makes a motion to adopt the midyear budget. May seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

3. Wagner Paving Quote/Street Repair – Flora presented a couple of quotes and options. It was agreed that Flora would bring back a quote just for getting different holes fixed around town, in hopes we can get this stuff taken care of while still looking into getting some streets fixed. May brought up that the lines in the streets need painting. There is also discussion of parking paint lines in front of the post office.

M. Sargent makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. May seconds.

Meeting ends at 7:45 p.m.

Valinda Hammons
VALINDA HAMMONS, MAYOR

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HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER