

November 6, 2025
Town Board Meeting - 7:00PM
Tannery Pond

In Attendance:	Kevin Bean – Supervisor	Jim Williams – Councilman
	Anna Bowers – Councilwoman	Arnold Stevens – Councilman
	Paul Heid – Councilman	Jean Comstock – Town Clerk

1. Pledge of Allegiance – Mindy Preuninger
2. Call Meeting to Order at 7:05Pm
3. Resolution to Accept the Meeting Minutes from November 6, 2025
RESOLUTION # 270 – 25
Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Meeting Minutes from November 6, 2025 and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.
4. Resolution to Adopt the Final Budget – Supervisor Bean – any questions or concerns?
RESOLUTION # 271 – 25
Mr. Stevens made a Motion to Adopt the Final Budget and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.
5. Resolution to Approve Occ Tax Recommendations – Mr. Williams – public packet didn't have the Occ Tax applications, did an overview of recommendations; a lot of planning still for the Depot Museum; Ms. Bowers – are they purchasing the antique cars? Supervisor Bean – no, they're renting a couple for the parade; Greg Schaefer – parade cars are rental; I need to emphasize we are not working alone, we are working with the Towns of Newcomb and Minerva.
RESOLUTION # 272 – 25
Mr. Williams made a Motion to approve the Occ Tax Recommendations and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.
6. Resolution to Authorize Re-L Levy of Outstanding Water Receivables
RESOLUTION # 273 – 25
Mr. Heid made a Motion to authorize the re-levy of outstanding water receivables and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Williams. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

7. Resolution to Rescind Resolution #179-25 to Close the Mining Process at the Town Highway Garage – Pete Olesheski – explanation of this; several months ago we discussed closing the sand mine, pushing for this for years; reclaiming the alienated park land to be developed; could not screen or stockpile any sand, etc. that’s not what we wanted to do; Kate Smith from DEC – her guidance, pause active mining operations, no more sand out of the ground; begin reclamation process; now not on a two year time lane; standards have been given us by DEC; Kate Smith would give us a sign-off, redrawing of the life of mine boundary lines; Ms. Bowers – thank you for figuring that out for us; Mr. Williams – a lot of reclamation has already been done by Fred and his staff; Pete Olesheski - can use the \$75,000 in the budget and I will use it and come back next year to let you know how much more I’ll need. This is the best scenario for all.

RESOLUTION # 274 – 25

Mr. Heid made a Motion to rescind Resolution #179 – 25 and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Williams. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

8. Resolution to Hire Full-Time Temporary Laborers at the Highway Department – Ms. Bowers – just for the public to understand, this request is a budget neutral request.

RESOLUTION # 275 – 25

Mr. Stevens made a Motion to approve the hiring of the full-time temporary laborers at the Highway Department and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

9. Supervisor’s Report

RESOLUTION # 276 – 25

Mr. Heid made a Motion to accept the Supervisor’s Report and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

Supervisor Bean – I’d like to share some information before we move on – I received an e-mail and phone call from Dee Parks – Director of Office of the Aging – notified that the Meal Site will not be open until January; I’ve had conversations with John Taflan – not happy with the timing; starting Tuesday next week – I will be going to Warrensburg to pick up meals and bring them back to the Meal Site; someone has applied for this position; no comprehension of the last minute decision; it’s disappointing and frustrating; Tuesday/Thursday for the rest of December; Art Webb – with the advocacy for our Meal Site, it raises the need to fix that meal site differently; need to do some planning for that. Ms. Bowers – it’s not an ideal situation, it’s also the social aspect as well; frustrating for the group working on this; Nancy Beaudin – as one of the drivers I’m frustrated, we’re being treated like an unwanted step-child; open meeting at 10:00AM on Friday at Warren County Budget Meeting; it’s a terrible situation; Ms. Bowers – and your voices may be very valid; Mr. Heid – has anyone gone to the press with this? I don’t understand the problem; Pete Horvath – are we the only Town having this problem? Ms. Bowers – Chestertown no longer has a meal site; Art Webb – people are putting together activities and we’ll continue to do that, Anita Abrams and Kim Smith, as well as others have worked hard on this; Supervisor Bean - their staff had accumulated

so much time, they had to take time of before the end of the year; they've given us the same response every time we have an idea to make the meal site happen; Mr. Williams – we have 5 Tuesdays/Thursdays (excluding Thanksgiving/Christmas); could volunteers step up and prepare food on those days? Supervisor Bean – my plan is to make ziti on Thursday and have people in to eat; if the Sheriff wants to arrest a Town Supervisor for serving food to the seniors, so be it; Pete Olesheski – the County said we can't use their equipment in the kitchen; there would have to be a stand alone agreement for that; with our Community there are people who will be creative.

10. Warrants

RESOLUTION # 277 – 25

Mr. Williams made a Motion to accept the Warrants and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

GENERAL FUND	\$ 36,643.97
HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 10,485.42
SEWER DISTRICT PROJECT	\$1,104,988.40
LIBRARY FUND	\$ 1,734.35
WATER DISTRICT	\$ 1,853.77
TRUST & AGENCY	\$ <u>593.36</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,156,299.27

11. Committee Reports

Mr. Heid

- Not a lot with solid waste; Pete Olesheski in touch with the County, they're happy with what we have going on; with all in Town we can have a meeting soon.
- Thank you to the Parks guys, cemeteries look great, should be proud as a community.

Ms. Bowers

- Child Care Meeting - 12/15/25 at 5:30 at TPC
- Two local laws we need to take care of – Sr. Exemption – this has to be done in December for next year; Local Law for the Food Pantry; can we speed this along? Supervisor Bean – I have made it clear that this needs to be done I am not receiving any feedback from Town Counsel; Art Webb – thank you Anna for bringing this up; with the increase in SS some could loose their benefit; Mr. Williams – can we copy a local law from another Town and get this going? Ms. Bowers – email the Assessor to create the sliding scale.

Mr. Williams

- Rules/Regs for Sewer District – still waiting on Attorney; not as time sensitive as other local laws.
- Couple of meetings this past week – Monday – sewer meeting, pretty lengthy (2 hours) addressing issues and concerns; most left and felt they got their answers; Thursday – Economic Meeting – what the sewer can bring and what it has

brought; some exciting plans were presented; continued businesses that have stuck it out and new businesses in the area.

- ORDA – opening their Lodge, progress being made on the big tanks; Thursday I sent an e-mail to our engineers and three engineers here on Friday, testing – water/pump, etc. Monday AM the Joe Minder tanks were available to be used; no signed MOU yet, ORDA waiting on the big tanks that should be available on Thursday; a transformer was needed, was purchased and is in the hands of our engineers, that will be put in; all has been tested, it's all electrical at Joe Minder right now; electric behind Town Hall as well, this should also be completed soon as well (Thursday/Friday); then the agreement for hold & haul; Pete Olesheski – power outage at Ski Bowl at 7:30AM tomorrow, Town's contractor, not sure how long it will take; Mr. Williams – everything is moving along there; behind Town Hall, not related to hold and haul, but related to our project – big tanks in, had hit ledge rock; down at Railroad Place, dug and excavated 75 feet of line, stock pile of contaminated soil; frack tank coming in to haul waste water; we have time to work through these issues.

Mr. Stevens

- Senior Committee – thank you Supervisor Bean for the update on the Meal Site; first Wednesday in December at 10:00AM at TPC the next Senior Meeting.

12. Privilege of the Floor

- Judy Brown – Board Member at the ACOC – thank you for the \$15,000; 180 people today at the food pantry, had to buy some food retail today to cover.
- Danae Tucker – as part of the Bond process we had to have an auditor, do we know when that process is going to start? Mr. Williams – Chris Hunsinger is back at work – he would be the one to talk to; Danae – it's Federal money that triggers the Audit process; Ms. Bowers – Danae, could you please reach out.
- Ms. Bowers – thank you to Mindy Preuninger for putting on the Economic Forum, it was a lot of work.
- Mindy Preuninger – the EDC has posted the recording from that meeting; to Jim Williams' point – businesses were all invited to talk, short notice, next year will be better organized.
- Mr. Heid – outside businesses from North Creek should be included as well.

13. Motion to Adjourn

RESOLUTION # 278 – 25

Mr. Heid made a Motion to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:54PM and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Board Members present voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

Prepared by:

Jean M. Comstock

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Town Clerk

**THE NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
DECEMBER 2, 2025 AT 7:00PM AT
TANNERY POND AND VIA LIVESTREAM**