Sharpsburg Borough Council Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2025
6:30pm
Borough Council Chambers

1. President Laing called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

2. DeRunk performed roll call: present were K. Pastor, S. Ishman, D. Breingan, R. Mason, A. Laing, C. Ochai, J. Jaso, and K Portis.

3. Discussion Items
    a. Phoebe Shackeroff Reese re: presentation on rail safety/bridge maintenance. She highlighted some issues with bridges located with the Borough of Sharpsburg and welcomed further conversation with how to engage with Norfolk Southern on making repairs to the bridges. Once the slides are provided to the Borough, they will be posted to the website.
    b. Ms. DeRunk and the Riverfront 47 Team, including Fred Bonci from LBA, gave an update on the outreach done with the public and agencies related to the PennDOT NTF grant for making improvements along Main Street, 19th Street, tunnel repair, and bus stop upgrades. The slides will be posted to the Borough website.
    c. Mr. Mason initiated a discussion on starting a process for using/renting Heinz Field as well as other amenities. It was suggested to purchase software for scheduling. A discussion was also had about allowing other groups besides the Sharpsburg Baseball Association to use the field given other constraints on fields in other communities.
    d. Mr. Breingan initiated a discussion on possible parking ordinance amendments to not allow parking on Church Alley from Main to Penn. There was discussion about making this no parking only during the snow season. It was brought up that this is an issue for emergency vehicles to pass through year-round. The proposed changes will be put on the agenda for the business meeting.
    e. Ms. DeRunk informed Council that Etna and Millvale are ready to update the shared Comprehensive Plan. Council discussed that it makes sense to do an update but not to start from scratch. Mr. Breingan and Mr. Mason expressed an interest in working on the Comp Plan.
    f. Ms. DeRunk stated that there was a request to use JSL for a fishing tournament in August. There was not enough information provided to the Borough for Council to fully deliberate and DeRunk will invite the requester to a future meeting.

4. There were no public comments during the comment period.

5. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Christine DeRunk, Borough Manager