

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR SESSION  
February 25, 2026

The Village of Shadyside Council convened in Regular Session at the Municipal Building on February 25, 2025 @ 6:00 pm. Mayor Louis M. Meintel called the meeting to order, followed by The Lord's Prayer. Special guest Lucca Aaron Silverio gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Councilwoman	Melanie Haswell	- Present	Councilman	Robert Gorrell	- Present
Councilman	Brandon Parr	- Present	Councilwoman	Lisa Duvall	- Absent
Councilman	Bob Dorris	- Present	Councilman	John Longwell	- Present

Mr. Gorrell moved and Ms. Haswell seconded to excuse Mrs. Duvall from the meeting.  
All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ms. Haswell moved and Mr. Longwell seconded to approve the minutes for the February 11, 2026, meeting.  
All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Others Present:**

Village Solicitor Kelly Kotur, Assistant Chief of Police Jeff Loeffler, Code Enforcer Joe Klug, Clerk of Council Betty Snyder, Street Director Mike DiFavrizio.

**Citizens:**

Mr. Ferrelli announced he is running for Belmont County Auditor.

Mayor Meintel reported a new nuisance ordinance was passed and letters will begin to be mailed after March 13, 2026. Mayor Meintel reported that the village has now joined the Belmont County Code Red emergency alert system. Ms. Snyder explained that the service announcements can be received by phone, email, or text. Anyone with a landline phone is automatically signed up for the service and will receive phone notification. If you have not signed up for the alert system, you can do so on the Belmont County Code Red website by registering your cell phone and/or email.

Mayor Meintel reported that the village will be participating in the summer youth work program. Mayor Meintel explained that anyone interested can apply at Belmont County Job and Family Services. Mayor Meintel explained that the program is income-based and that the village hopes to employ 3 to 4 students this summer under the program, which is at no cost to the village. Mayor Meintel reported that the Street and Water & Sewer departments will be receiving new safety work shirts with the department name on them. The office staff will also be receiving work shirts and council is welcome to purchase a shirt for events.

Mayor Meintel reported that the street department will be assessing alleys in the spring.

Mayor Meintel reports he has exhausted all of his resources to help a certain property that has been in past discussions (declining to disclose name and address) even turning to the Cares and Adult Protective Services with no solution. Mayor Meintel stated that it will fall back on the village to follow the ordinance.

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#### **Mayor's Court:**

#### **Building Permits:**

Mr. Longwell, under the new nuisance ordinance, stated that once Mr. Klug receives a complaint, he will then look on the county auditor page, the address and current owner of a property will be listed. Mr. Klug would look into the issue and if found in violation of an ordinance, would then send the violation code, address, and name to Ms. Snyder to prepare a letter.

#### **Major:**

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1. Julie Hendershot / 3841 Grand Ave / Replace Roof
2. Mark Duvall/ 4412 Central Ave / Installing Flooring
3. Kathy Hammond / 3629 Central Ave / Replace Canopy
4. Linda Yates / 3951 Adams Ave / Replace Roof and Windows
5. Mike Meintel / 3853 Lincoln Ave/Texture Ceilings and Paint

Ms. Haswell moved Mr. Longwell seconded to approve the minor building permits.  
All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Citizens Advisory Committee: Ms. Haswell**

Ms. Haswell reported the next Advisory meeting will be held March 1, 2026 in the community room at 5:30pm.

Topic for discussion will be America 250 Celebration Donors.

**Beautification Committee: Ms. Haswell**

Ms. Haswell reported the next Beautification meeting will be held March 1, 2026 in the community room at 4:30.

Ms. Haswell stated she is currently working on electricity and streetlights for the loop.

**America 250 Committee: Ms. Haswell**

Ms. Haswell announced she received an anonymous donation to the America 250 Celebration in the amount of \$5,000.00 dollars with a note stating (From someone that found happiness in this great little town).

Ms. Haswell stated that she is currently working on donations, and if anything is left over it will be put in the Beautification committee.

Ms. Haswell moved and Mr. Longwell seconded to approve any unused funds from the America 250 Committee to be put into the Beautification Committee fund.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Parr	- Yes	Mr. Longwell	- Yes
Mr. Dorris	- Yes	Ms. Haswell	- Yes
Mr. Gorrell	- Yes		

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Dorris reported the Legion will be holding their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Jamboree on July 11, 2026.

Ms. Haswell reported Loop Fest will be held on June 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Mayor Meintel reported Mr. Elliott is looking into Venmo and Zelle for the possibility of receiving donations through an app, and if it is legal for the village to do so.

**School Board: Ms. Haswell**

Ms. Haswell reported that the school board committee reported the high school will have a fully functioning cafeteria for the 26-27 school year.

**Gants and Finance: Mrs. Duvall**

In her absence, Mayor Meintel presented Mrs. Duvall's PowerPoint.  
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The village continues operating under a temporary budget passed in December 2025. The closeout for 2025 will be completed and financial statements sent out by Feb. 28.

The 2026 permanent appropriations must be approved by council and sent to the county for certification by March 31.

JB Green Team 2026 Recycling Initiatives Competitive Funding application period is now open; application due April 1, 2026.

The grant committee met Feb. 21, 2026; minutes are available. Projects for the JB Green Team grants are being considered. Other potential funding sources include the Dale Hileman Legacy Fund and the Donald R. Myers Legacy Fund.

**Social Media Committee: Mr. Dorris**

Mr. Dorris reported he posted a recap video of the last council meeting and received 8,100 views on Facebook. Mr. Dorris reported 6,490 views he received for his nuisance ordinance video.

Mr. Dorris advised everyone looking for real information to join the official Village of Shadyside Facebook page.

Mr. Dorris reported a town hall meeting about the future of our water will be held March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 6:00pm.

**Streets and Alleys Committee: Mr. Gorrell**

Mr. Gorrell met with Bel O Mar on 2-19-26 to discuss the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the paving project, which he stated would not begin for 2 to 3 years.

**Personnel and Investigations: Mr. Parr**

**Water and Sewer Committee: Mr. Longwell**

**Property Committee: Mr. Longwell**

Mr. Longwell reported the property committee will be holding a meeting, date to be announced. Letters will begin to go out after March 13, 2026.

**Dora Committee: Mr. Parr**

Mr. Parr reported the committee has been formed and the members are as follows:

Mr. Parr, Mr. Dorris, Ms. Haswell, Mr. Burkheart, Pastor Traylor and Mr. Luci.

A meeting is planned for March 3, 2026.

**Fire Committee: Mr. Gorrell**

Mr. Gorrell reported that the diesel pump at the firehouse is fixed.

**Legislation:**

**Ordinance:1892**

The first reading of "AN ORDANCE ESTABLISHING A FIVE PERCENT (5%) VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE TO BE PAID BY ANY VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER OFFERING BIDEO SERVICE IN THE VILLAGE OF SHADYSIDE: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO GIVE NOTICE TO THE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER OF THE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE: AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY."

Mr. Parr moved Mr. Longwell seconded to suspend the rule and move on to the second and third reading.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Dorris	- Yes	Ms. Haswell	- Yes
Mr. Gorrell	- Yes	Mr. Parr	- Yes
Mr. Longwell	- Yes		

The second and third reading were given.

Mr. Gorrell moved and Mr. Dorris seconded to engross and pass as read.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Gorrell	- Yes	Mr. Parr	- Yes
Mr. Longwell	- Yes	Mr. Dorris	- Yes
Ms Haswell	- Yes		

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 1893

**Code Enforcement Report: Mr. Klug**

**Police Report:**

Assistant Chief of Police Loeffler reported 3 arrests, 1 domestic, 1 suspicious person, 1 warrant, 2 parking tickets, and assisted other agencies on 4 calls.

Officer Loeffler reported the need for an updated ordinance for texting while driving and recommended the ordinance read \$110.00 fine with 95.00 court cost.

Mrs. Kotur replied that the ordinance will be presented at the next meeting.

Officer Loeffler reported Officer Clark was moved from Wheeling Hospital to Morgantown Hospital to undergo surgery and is in stable condition.

**Street Department Report: Mr. DeFabrizio**

Mr. DeFabrizio reported the department began yearly maintenance on all equipment, filled the potholes on 44<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> street. Mr. DeFabrizio received 2 quotes for the plow, which were \$11,124.00 and \$8845.00 for the salt dog. This will be turned into the insurance company for review. Clean up around the Street Department building has begun.

**Water and Sewer Report: Broad of Public Affairs**

Mr. Janovich reported a meeting will be held in the municipal building upstairs March 6, 2026.

Mr. Janovich reported he is awaiting estimates for some repairs needed at the water and sewer plants.

**New Business:**

Mr. Dorris moved and Mr. Parr seconded to install a blessing box outside of the municipal building.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Gorrell recommended updating the Codified Ordinance Book.

May Engineering will be having a Public Forum to discuss the future of water distribution in Shadyside  
On March 26, 2026 @ 6:00 pm in the community room.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Meintel asked the Council for their opinion on televising council meetings.

Ms. Haswell and Mr. Dorris showed their support.

Mr. Dorris moved and Ms. Haswell seconded to purchase equipment to record and post council meetings on social media.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Longwell                 - Yes                         Mr. Dorris                 -Yes

Ms. Haswell                 - Yes                         Mr. Gorrell                 - Yes

Mr. Parr                         - Yes

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Longwell asked whether the Council had received estimates for filling in the pool area and whether there was any asbestos to be concerned about.

Mayor Meintel reported that Ms. Duvall has applied for a grant to revitalize the park and pool area.

More information will be presented at a later time.

Mr. Gorrell recommended that the pool area be turned into a parking lot for the school.

Mr. Longwell asked if there was a plan for mowing the hillside by Riesbeck's. Mr. Dorris said there is a plan in talks for putting in something that does not require mowing.

Mr. Longwell reported water valves that were sticking up out of the asphalt on east 44<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Meintel stated that the issue was discussed at a previous meeting and a letter will be going out in the near future to Litman Excavating.

Mayor Meintel reported that the Swamberg sign will be installed soon and a rededication will be planned. There will be the ability to have messages put on the sign for a small fee.

Mrs. Kotur presented to Council a formal grievance against Mayor Meintel regarding a Facebook post. The grievance suggested Council require Mayor Meintel to publicly apologize, refrain from Facebook comments, have no involvement regarding the enforcement of the nuisance ordinance, conduct a full review of the Mayor's social media conduct, and formally enter this grievance into the minutes. Formally Entered, Copy on file.

Ms. Haswell excused herself from the meeting.

Mr. Gorrell moved and Mr. Longwell seconded to excuse Ms. Haswell from the meeting at 7:25. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Finance:**

Mr. Longwell moved and Mr. Dorris seconded to approve the Regular & Blanket Purchase Orders List/Bills as submitted.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Mr. Gorrell moved and Mr. Parr seconded to approve the attached Reallocations.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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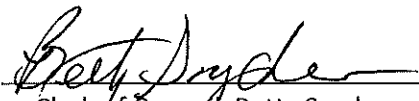
Mr. Longwell moved and Mr. Dorris seconded to approve the 01/31/26 Bank Reconciliation Report.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Gorrell moved and Mr. Longwell seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7: 29 pm.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The next regular session council meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

  
Clerk of Council, Betty Snyder

  
Mayor Mike Meintel