BOROUGH OF MARTINSBURG
NOVEMBER 2, 2026
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER PRAYER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

___ **P. Robert Dickson, PRES**
___ **Darin B. Meck, V-PRES**
___ **Neil E. Gartland** PRO-TEM
___ **Edward L. Bennett**
___ **James C. Dell**
___ **Mark K. Gartland**
___ **Vacancy**

___**Rich Brantner Sr., Mayor**
___ Rich Brantner Jr., Manager
___ Jane Staily, Sec./Trea
___ Justin Davis, Chief
___ Amy Hockenberry
___ Dustin Russell

___Atty. Nathan Karn
___Atty. Kaitlyn Edmiston
___ MCHerald Cati Keith
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OTHERS PRESENT: _____

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AUDIENCE: Gary Watters - AMED Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel Matters

APPOINT REPLACEMENT FOR COUNCIL VACANCY

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL REPLACEMENT

MINUTES: October 5, 2026 (pgs. 1-2) Approved: Motion_____ Second_____
Approved as Corrected: Motion_____ Second_____
Correction: _____
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MINUTES: Budget Workshop October 19, 2026 (pgs. 3-4)
Approved: Motion_____ Second_____
Approved as Corrected: Motion_____ Second_____
Correction: _____
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OCTOBER 2026 *Statement of Accounts (pgs. 5-8)*

FINANCIAL REPORT: *Budget (pgs. 9-19)*

APPROVAL OF BILLS: *General Operating Fund (pg. 20)*

Check Nos. 12359-12390 $109,600.52 Motion_____ Second_____

MAYOR'S REPORT *-Richard A. Brantner (Sr.)*

POLICE REPORT *-Justin L. Davis*

MANAGER'S REPORT *-Rich Brantner, Jr.*

BOROUGH SECRETARY'S REPORT *-M. Jane Staily*

SOLICITOR'S REPORT *-Evey Black Attorneys*

COMMISSIONERS/REPORTS:

SAFETY	**-Charles Kensinger**
PROPERTY	**-Darin Meck**
STREETS	**-James Dell**
FINANCE	**-Rob Dickson**
WATER/SEWER	**-Neil Gartland**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PENSION COMMITTEE	-Rich Brantner, Jr. and Jane Staily
EMPLOYEE MED. REIMB. COM.	-Rich Brantner, Jr., Rob Dickson
REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE	-Rich Brantner, Jr.
RECYCLING COM REPORT	-Ed Bennett and James Dell
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	-Ed Bennett and Rich Brantner, Jr.
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE *(Pres., V-Pres, Pro-tem)*	-Rob Dickson, Darin Meck & Neil Gartland
GOVERNMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE	-Rich Brantner (Sr.)
SPRING CLEAN UP 2028 COMMITTEE	-Darin Meck-Chairman, Mark Gartland, Dusty Russell and Rich Brantner, Jr.

Old Business

New Business:

1. **Appoint a Councilperson to replace Charles Kensinger for the portion of his unexpired term from November 2, 2026 to December 31, 2027 until the next general election [then could run for the remaining 2 years of that 4 year term]**
2. **Invitation to Participate in Regional Police Department Survey**
3. **Adopt Resolution No. 2026-1102-01 LSA Grant for New Police Car (pg. 21)**
4. **Motion to Advertise for 10 Day Public Inspection of 2027-4 Budget**
5. **Motion to Advertise the following tax ordinances:**
   - **2026-656 2027 Per Capita Tax $5.00**
   - **2026-657 2027 Earned Income Tax as ½ of 1%**
   - **2026-658 2027 Local Service Tax as $52**
   - **2026-659 2027 Real Estate Tax 2.604 mills (increased from 1.967 mills)**
6. **Motion to donate $500 to Cove Christmas Love**
7. **Motion to Advertise the 2027 Council Meetings:**

JAN 4	APR 5	JUL 6 (TUE)	OCT 4
FEB 1	MAY 3	AUG 2	NOV 1
MAR 1	JUN 7	SEP 7 (TUE)	DEC 6

Correspondence:

- **Martinsburg Volunteer Fire Company Minutes (pgs. 22-25)**
- **Draft Budget 2027-4 (Gold insert)**
- **Bicentennial Logo (pg. 26)**