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<p>1763-1851</p> <p>note: Town established by Virginia General Assembly as "Shenandoah Falls at Mr Harpers Ferry."</p>	<p>1851</p> <p>m Jeremiah Fuss r Wm T Daugherty</p> <p>c Jesse Schofield Alex Kelly Philip Coons Abraham H Herr Hugh Gilleece G W Cutshaw Wm Richards F A Roeder Dr N Marmion</p> <p>note: Town of Harpers Ferry incorporated March 24. First elections held 5 May.</p>	<p>1852</p> <p>John C Unseld Israel Russell</p> <p><i>Jesse Schofield</i> <i>Alex Kelly</i> <i>Philip Coons</i> <i>Abraham H Herr</i> <i>Hugh Gilleece</i> <i>G W Cutshaw</i> Sam M Williams <i>F A Roeder</i> Alex Brown</p>	<p>1853</p> <p>Solomon Vance Yantis J W Deener</p> <p>Adam Rhulman Frederick C Smith John F Price Daniel Chambers Henry W Clowe John E P Dangerfield William S Snook David Seigle Arnold S Stephens</p>	<p>1854</p> <p>Soloman Vance Yantis <i>J W Deener</i></p> <p><i>Adam Rhulman</i> <i>Frederick C Smith</i> <i>John F Price</i> [Dr]George B [P] Stephenson <i>Henry W Clowe</i> <i>John E P Dangerfield</i> <i>William S Snook</i> Benjamin Wentzell George Mauzy</p>
<p>1855</p> <p>m George Mauzy r John E P Dangerfield</p> <p>c Jeremiah Fuss J A Merrick Basil Avis Alex Kelly A M Ball T A Herrington <i>William S Snook</i> <i>Benjamin Wentzell</i> A J Wright</p>	<p>1856</p> <p><i>George Mauzy</i> Isaac Fouke</p> <p>Wm McDaniel T W Shriver Samuel Trail R Cleveland A J Hobbs W D Copeland F A Roeder Jesse Grimes M T Krepps</p>	<p>1857</p> <p>Solomon Vance Yantis Wm H Moore</p> <p>George Mauzy P Hoffman S Byington Abraham H Herr John E P Dangerfield Basil Avis <i>F A Roeder</i> A Brown Dr N Marmion</p>	<p>1858</p> <p>Isaac Fouke John Avis</p> <p>Wm Orme John D Hobbs Daniel J Young Emanuel Spangler Wm Richards Samuel Trail Thomas T Earnshaw Wm D Copeland John Mason</p>	<p>1859</p> <p>Fontaine Beckham George W Chambers</p> <p>Ambrose Cross Abraham H Herr <i>Daniel J Young</i> <i>Emanuel Spangler</i> <i>Wm Richards</i> Basil Avis F A Roeder <i>Wm D Copeland</i> Dr Joseph E Claggett</p> <p>note: Beckham killed Oct; replaced by Chambers</p>

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<p>1860 m <i>George W Chambers</i> r Meshach Kirby</p> <p>c Resin Cross <i>Abraham H Herr</i> W E Wilson Adam Brown Benjamin Wentzell <i>Basil Avis</i> <i>F A Roeder</i> George W Legg <i>Dr Joseph E Claggett</i></p>	<p>1861</p> <p>note: Virginia seceeded in April; martial law imposed by Confederate then Union armies, so May elections not held.</p>	<p>1862-4</p> <p>note: martial law by occupying forces.</p>	<p>1865</p> <p>note: war ended in April; town started to be re-occupied by civilians; but military still ruled till June or so.</p>	<p>1866</p> <p>John Ernest Alexander Kelley</p> <p>Rezin Cross Soloman Vance Yantis Maj T Quinn Gibson C Johns M Doran M Walsh Philip Engle Sr Samuel Trail</p>
<p>1867</p> <p>note: town dis-incorporated by Legislature of WVa 21 Feb. Administered under Township rules.</p>	<p>1868</p> <p>note: Townships of Harpers Ferry and Boliver united; to be called Bolivar Township; by act of 23 Dec.</p>	<p>1869</p> <p>note: continued under Township rules.</p>	<p>1870</p> <p>note: continued under Township rules.</p>	<p>1871</p> <p>note: continued under Township rules.</p>

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<p>1872</p> <p>m Daniel Ames r John L Shilling</p> <p>c Basil Avis Wm Exner Jolin J Kern Trueman W Potterfield John A McCreight</p> <p>note: First elections were 7 jun, term ran only to 31 jan 1873</p>	<p>1873</p> <p>Daniel Ames John H Martin</p> <p>Basil Avis Wm Exner Jolin J Kern Philip Engle Sr John <u>H</u> McCreight</p>	<p>1874</p> <p>E H Chambers esq C L Hopwood</p> <p>Basil Avis Wm Exner Jolin J Kern Philip Engle Sr John <u>H</u> McCreight</p>	<p>1875</p> <p>Geo Koonce Lawrence A Montague</p> <p>M Walsh Soloman Vance Yantis Thomas H Trail John E Erwin Gibson C Johns</p>	<p>1876</p> <p>E H Chambers Daniel Ames</p> <p>Geo Koonce <i>Soloman Vance Yantis</i> John J Gilbert John A McCreight <i>Gibson C Johns</i></p>
<p>1877</p> <p>m Geo W Green r Joseph Barry</p> <p>c <i>Geo Koonce</i> <i>Soloman Vance Yantis</i> <i>John J Gilbert</i> Thos A Kirwan G L Myers</p>	<p>1878</p> <p><i>Geo W Green</i> Jesse W Graham</p> <p>John A McCreight <i>Soloman Vance Yantis</i> Philip Engle jr Basil Avis Samuel Williams William Gilbert</p> <p>note: 6 are reported as councilmen. Green resigns sometime after may 7, and before 22 jun edition of <i>Virginia Free Press</i>, replaced by J W Graham.</p>	<p>1879</p> <p>Dr J S O'Donnell H V Daniels</p> <p>Rezin Cross Jesse W Graham <i>Philip Engle jr</i> Jolin J Kern Patrick O'Beirne</p> <p>note: O'Donnell resigns sometime before 13 may edition of <i>Spirit of Jefferson</i>; replaced by S V Yantis</p>	<p>1880</p> <p>Edmund Chambers Jesse W Graham</p> <p>Lawrence A Montague Rev Nathan Cook Brackett <i>Philip Engle jr</i> Basil Avis Chas H Trail</p>	<p><u>1881</u></p>

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<p>1882 m Soloman Vance Yantis esq r Chas H Trail</p> <p>c James McGraw Rev Nathan Cook Brackett Philip Engle Alex Murphy John A McCreight</p>	<p>1883 <i>Soloman Vance Yantis</i> R B Winters</p> <p><i>James McGraw</i> E B Chambers Lawrence Montague <i>Alex Murphy</i> James Green</p> <p>note: RB=WA Winters?</p>	<p>1884 <i>Soloman Vance Yantis</i> Wilbur A Winters</p> <p><i>James McGraw sr</i> Jesse Graham Patrick Byrnes <i>Alex Murphy</i> Emanuel Spengler</p>	<p>1885 Jesse W Graham John Faherty</p> <p><i>James McGraw sr</i> T A Kirwin <i>Patrick O'Beirne</i> <i>Alex Murphy</i> George Marquette</p> <p>note: assume Byrnes= O'Bierne?</p>	<p>1886 E H Chambers <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>Thomas W Beale Rev Nathan Cook Brackett Gibson C Johns <i>Alex Murphy</i> John A McCreight</p>
<p>1887 m [E H Chambers?] r</p> <p>c</p>	<p>1888 Daniel Ames John Flaherty</p> <p>T W Beale Rev Nathan Cook Brackett Gibson C Johns Alex Murphy George H Child</p>	<p>1889 Geo McGlincy <i>John Flaherty</i></p> <p>James McGraw jr Jesse Graham <i>Gibson C Johns</i> <i>Alex Murphy</i> J Garland Hurst</p>	<p>1890 <i>Geo McGlincy</i> <i>John Flaherty</i></p> <p><i>James McGraw jr</i> George Bready <i>Gibson C Johns</i> <i>Alex Murphy</i> <i>J Garland Hurst</i></p>	<p>1891 John W Doll <i>John Flaherty</i></p> <p><i>James C McGraw</i> Ed Higgins H V Daniels George R Marquette <i>J Garland Hurst</i></p>

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<p>1892 m George M McGlincy r <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>c James C McGraw</i> E B Chambers <i>H V Daniels</i> <i>George R Marquette</i> Wilbur A Winters</p>	<p>1893 John W Doll <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>James C McGraw</i> Joseph L Daily T M Connor Thomas W Geary W L Black</p>	<p>1894 Thomas W Beale H V Daniels</p> <p><i>James C McGraw</i> <i>Joseph L Daily</i> Geo H Child Alex Murphy <i>W L Black</i></p> <p>note: this slate never meets; minutes refer to some problem with the "legality" of the election. 1893 slate serves 1894 except: in June, Connor resigns; replaced by T A Kerwin; McGraw resigns; replaced by H V Daniels. Aug 20: Doll has died; H V Daniels appointed as replacement mayor. In Nov, James McGraw appointed to replace H V Daniel on council.</p>	<p>1895 Thomas W Beale <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>Rev Nathan Cook Brackett <i>Joseph L Daily</i> Geo H Child Wilmer Benjamin George Bready</p>	<p>1896 Thomas J Burleigh jr Wilbur A Winters</p> <p>James F Cassell R B Dickey Magnus L Cockrell Alex Murphy W B Nichols</p> <p>note: Burleigh appears as "Boerley" at first.</p>
<p>1897 m H V Daniels r <i>Wilbur A Winters</i></p> <p><i>c James F Cassell</i> <i>R B Dickey</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> James C McGraw <i>W B Nichols</i></p> <p>note: in Feb, McGraw resigns and is replaced by Wilmer Benjamin; later in Feb, Cassell resigns and is replaced by W J Avis. In Nov, Daniels resigns as Mayor and is replaced by Winters; Wilmer Benjamin replaces Winters as recorder.</p>	<p>1898 Daniel Ames <i>Wilbur A Winters</i></p> <p>Alex Murphy Thomas J Burleigh jr <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> Joseph L Daily Thomas W Geary</p> <p>note: Ames died before starting his term; replaced by Joseph Daily; Geo R Marquette replaced Daily on council. In July, Geary resigned; replaced by T W Beale.</p>	<p>1899 Thomas W Beale <i>Wilbur A Winters</i></p> <p><i>Alex Murphy</i> C J Cavalier <i>George R Marquette</i> George R Bready Geo H Child</p>	<p>1900 C B Wentzell John Faherty</p> <p><i>Alex Murphy</i> W R Peregoy Magnus L Cockrell Ralph Cleveland Thomas J Burleigh</p>	<p>1901 <i>C B Wentzell</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>W A Avis <i>W R Peregoy</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> <i>Ralph Cleveland</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i></p> <p>note: In April, Peregoy resigns, replaced by W B Gross.</p>

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<p>1902 m Eugene Shugart r John Faherty</p> <p>c A Kaplon Edward Higgins Magnus L Cockrell Joseph L Daily Thomas J Burleigh jr</p>	<p>1903 <i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>A Kaplon</i> <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> <i>W O Rau</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i></p>	<p>1904 <i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>A Kaplon</i> <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> <i>W O Rau</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i></p>	<p>1905 <i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>Leo P O'Beirne <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> George R Bready <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i></p> <p>note: Leo P is probably Patrick O'Beirne's son.</p>	<p>1906 <i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Leo P O'Beirne</i> <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> <i>George R Bready</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i></p>
<p>1907 m Eugene Shugart r John Faherty</p> <p>c Charles E Marlatt <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Magnus L Cockrell</i> Charles T Smith L H Beck</p> <p>note: in October Cockrell was to be asked to resign for lack of attendance, but no record of resignation or replacement is in minutes.</p>	<p>1908 C B Wentzell <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>Leo O'Beirne F A Coe M J Myles James L Shewbridge Wm R Peregoy</p>	<p>1909 <i>C B Wentzell</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>W B Nichols <i>F A Coe</i> W A Walsh <i>James L Shewbridge</i> G L Martin</p> <p>note: in April Coe resigned; replaced by W O Rau. In May, Martin and Nichols resigned; replaced by C W Wentzell in June and James F Cassell in Aug.</p>	<p>1910 <i>C B Wentzell</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>C W Wentzell</i> L H Beck Edward Higgins <i>James L Shewbridge</i> <i>James F Cassell</i></p>	<p>1911 G L Martin <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>C W Wentzell</i> R B Dickey <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>James L Shewbridge</i> <i>James F Cassell</i></p>

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<p>1912 m C B Wentzell r <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>c Eugene Shugart Thomas J Burleigh jr <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>James L Shewbridge</i> Charles T Smith</p>	<p>1913 <i>C B Wentzell</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i> <i>Edward Higgins</i> Charles Koonce <i>Charles T Smith</i></p>	<p>1914 <i>C B Wentzell</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Eugene Shugart</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i> <i>Edward Higgins</i> <i>Charles Koonce</i> <i>Charles T Smith</i></p>	<p>1915 John Faherty Charles E Marlatt</p> <p>J Garland Hurst <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i> James F Cassell <i>Charles Koonce</i> Lewis H Beck</p>	<p>1916 <i>John Faherty</i> <i>Charles E Marlatt</i></p> <p><i>J Garland Hurst</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i> <i>James F Cassell</i> <i>Charles Koonce</i> Leo O'Beirne</p>
<p>1917 m <i>John Faherty</i> r <i>Charles E Marlatt</i></p> <p>c <i>J Garland Hurst</i> <i>Thomas J Burleigh jr</i> <i>James F Cassell</i> <i>Charles Koonce</i> <i>Leo O'Beirne</i></p>	<p>1918 Eugene Shugart Prof Henry T McDonald</p> <p>Abe Kaplon Charles T Smith Eugene Bready <i>Charles Koonce</i> <i>Leo O'Beirne</i></p>	<p>1919 Thomas J Burleigh <i>Prof Henry T McDonald</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>Charles T Smith</i> James L Shewbridge W A Walsh <i>Leo O'Beirne</i></p>	<p>1920 Charles E Marlatt <i>Prof Henry T McDonald</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>Charles T Smith</i> <i>James L Shewbridge</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>Leo O'Beirne</i></p>	<p>1921 <i>Charles E Marlatt</i> <i>Prof Henry T McDonald</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> C M LaRue <i>James L Shewbridge</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>Leo O'Beirne</i></p>

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<p>1922</p> <p>m Charles E Marlatt r Prof Henry T McDonald</p> <p>c Abe Kaplon Eugene Bready James L Shewbridge W A Walsh W F Butts</p>	<p>1923</p> <p>Prof Henry T McDonald John Faherty</p> <p>Abe Kaplon I S Glass W A Winters W A Walsh C M LaRue</p>	<p>1924</p> <p><i>Prof Henry T McDonald</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>I S Glass</i> <i>W A Winters</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>C M LaRue</i></p>	<p>1925</p> <p>R Shirley Rockenbaugh John Faherty</p> <p>Abe Kaplon Charles E Riley Eugene K Kern W A Walsh Briscoe E Smith</p> <p>note: Kern at first spelled "Curran" in minutes.</p>	<p>1926</p> <p><i>R Shirley Rockenbaugh</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Eugene K Kern</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>W F Andies</i></p>
<p>1927</p> <p>m Charles E Marlatt r John Faherty</p> <p>c Abe Kaplon Charles T Smith I S Glass W A Walsh N T Thayer</p>	<p>1928</p> <p><i>Charles E Marlatt</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>E S Potts</i> <i>I S Glass</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>N T Thayer</i></p>	<p>1929</p> <p><i>Charles E Marlatt</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Abe Kaplon</i> <i>E S Potts</i> <i>I S Glass</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>N T Thayer</i></p> <p>note: elections change from january to 1st Tues in June. This slate will serve 18 months until 30 June 1930. In May 1930, Marlatt resigns; replaced by John Faherty.</p>	<p>1930-1</p> <p>James M Ranson John Faherty</p> <p>Prof Henry T McDonald E S Potts John Garland Delauder W A Walsh N T Thayer</p> <p>note: term of office is now 1 july to 30 june.</p>	<p>1931-2</p> <p>Charles E Marlatt John Faherty</p> <p>Lewis D Nichols E S Potts John Garland Delauder W A Walsh W F Beck</p> <p>note: Potts noted as sick at 3 mar 1932 meeting; replaced by Eugene Kern, but he does not seem to have attended any meetings.</p>

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<p>1932-3 m <i>Charles E Marlatt</i> r <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p>c <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> ...</p> <p><i>John Garland Delauder</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>W F Beck</i></p> <p>note: Name of a 5th member of council does not appear anywhere in minutes.</p>	<p>1933-35 <i>Charles E Marlatt</i> <i>John Faherty</i></p> <p><i>Lewis D Nichols</i> N T Thayer <i>John Garland Delauder</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>W F Beck</i></p> <p>note: for the first time, mayor and council are elected for 2 year terms, 1 july to 30 june the second year.</p>	<p>1935-37 <i>Charles E Marlatt</i> <i>Lewis D Nichols</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>W W Daugherty</i> <i>John Garland Delauder</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>W F Beck</i></p> <p>note: Daugherty first appears in minutes as "Doherty."</p>	<p>1937-39 <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> <i>Robert F Trail</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Wm Leon Edwards</i> <i>E E Ross</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>C C Johnson</i></p>	<p>1939-41 <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> <i>Robert F Trail</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Wm Leon Edwards</i> <i>E E Ross</i> <i>W A Walsh</i> <i>C C Johnson</i></p>
<p>1941-43 m <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> r <i>E E Ross</i></p> <p>c <i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Wm Leon Edwards</i> <i>John E Wolfe</i> <i>John J Steinburnn</i> <i>C C Johnson</i></p>	<p>1943-45 <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> <i>E E Ross</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Wm Leon Edwards</i> <i>Tom Mentzer</i> <i>John J Steinburnn</i> <i>Harry Moler</i></p>	<p>1945-47 <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> <i>E E Ross</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Wm Leon Edwards</i> <i>Tom Mentzer</i> <i>John J Steinburnn</i> <i>Harry Moler</i></p>	<p>1947-49 <i>Lewis D Nichols</i> <i>John Garland Delauder</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Jesse S Dailey</i> <i>Lloyd S Hough</i> <i>Jack Cameron</i> <i>Walter E Jenkins</i></p>	<p>1949-51 <i>Gilbert E Perry</i> <i>John Garland Delauder</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> <i>Lloyd S Hough</i> <i>James J Lynch</i> <i>Hugh A Lloyd</i></p> <p>note: 5 feb 1951, Wm Ramey appointed to fill unexpired term of Lynch. No reason given.</p>

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<p>1951-53 m Gilbert E Perry r H C Dahlin</p> <p>c Charles E Riley Edward L Smallwood Lloyd S Hough James J Lynch Hugh A Lloyd</p> <p>note: 7 may 1952 Lynch resigns [is moving away]; replaced by Wm Ramey</p>	<p>1953-55 <i>Gilbert E Perry</i> <i>H C Dahlin</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> <i>Lloyd S Hough</i> <i>Wm F Ramey jr</i> <i>Hugh A Lloyd</i></p>	<p>1955-57 <i>Gilbert E Perry</i> Wilber R [Flicker] Bond</p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> Herbert E Sperry <i>Lloyd S Hough</i> <i>Wm F Ramey jr</i> <i>Hugh A Lloyd</i></p>	<p>1957-59 Wm F Ramey jr <i>Wilber R [Flicker] Bond</i></p> <p><i>Charles E Riley</i> <i>Herbert E Sperry</i> A L Ridgeway Lloyd J Jones <i>Hugh A Lloyd</i></p>	<p>1959-61 <i>Wm F Ramey jr</i> <i>Wilber R [Flicker] Bond</i></p> <p>John F Hedican <i>Herbert E Sperry</i> Jack Cameron <i>Lloyd J Jones</i> H T Cauffman</p>
<p>1961-63 m Herbert E Sperry r <i>Wilber R [Flicker]Bond</i></p> <p>c <i>John F Hedican</i> Walter M Garrison Edward L Smallwood Willard G Moler <i>H T Cauffman</i></p> <p>note: Bond resigned as recorder 4 dec 1961; replaced by Nat Green, 14 dec, sworn in 8 jan 1962; Green resigned 6 dec 1962; replaced by LD Nichols. Hedican resigned as of 22 sep 1962. No meeting notes for Nov 62. By 3 dec 1962 Gilbert Perry had replaced Sperry as mayor and J Cameron had replaced Hedican on council.</p>	<p>1963-65 <i>Gilbert E Perry</i> <i>Lewis D Nichols</i></p> <p><i>Jack Cameron</i> <i>Walter M Garrison</i> <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> <i>Willard G Moler</i> <i>H T Cauffman</i></p>	<p>1965-67 Rev Temple G Wheeler Wm F Ramey jr</p> <p><i>Jack Cameron</i> <i>Walter M Garrison</i> <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> <i>Willard G Moler</i> Walter E Jenkins</p>	<p>1967-69 <i>Rev Temple G Wheeler</i> John J Howard</p> <p><i>Jack Cameron</i> Herbert E Sperry <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> Wm E Stewart <i>Walter E Jenkins</i></p> <p>note: by 4 oct 1967 Cameron had died; replaced by Tom Dailey.</p>	<p>1969-71 <i>Rev Temple G Wheeler</i> <i>John J Howard</i></p> <p><i>J Thomas Dailey</i> <i>Herbert E Sperry</i> <i>Edward L Smallwood</i> Bernard L Dennis <i>Walter E Jenkins</i></p>

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<p>1971-73 m Bradley D Nash r Margaret R Harris</p> <p><i>c J Thomas Dailey Herbert E Sperry Edward L Smallwood Bernard L Dennis Walter E Jenkins</i></p>	<p>1973-75 <i>Bradley D Nash Virginia Moler</i></p> <p><i>Edith G Alexander [Perry] Willard J Moler Edward L Smallwood Bernard L Dennis Walter E Jenkins</i></p>	<p>1975-77 <i>Bradley D Nash Catherine W Wallich</i></p> <p><i>Edith G Alexander [Perry] Anthol W Shewbridge Edward L Smallwood Simuel J Garrett Walton D Stowell</i></p>	<p>1977-79 H W "Bill" Brawley <i>Catherine W Wallich</i></p> <p><i>Edith G Alexander [Perry] Anthol W Shewbridge Edward L Smallwood Simuel J Garrett Walton D Stowell</i></p> <p>note: 10 oct 77, Wallich cannot serve due to illness in family; replaced by Linda Rago. Garrett resigns 13 feb 78; replaced by Ruby Reeler 22 mar 78.</p>	<p>1979-81 <i>H W "Bill" Brawley Linda O Rago</i></p> <p><i>W Clifton Butts Anthol W Shewbridge Bradley D Nash Ruby B Reeler Agatha P Murphy</i></p> <p>note: at 12 jun 81 meeting, Brawley resigns as of 26 jun; Ruby Reeler appointed to serve as Mayor for 4 days, until slate elected jun 81 takes office.</p>
<p>1981-83 m Neal Randall r W Clifton Butts</p> <p><i>c Walton D Stowell Dorothy L Lewis Minnie R Mentzer Ruby B Reeler Agatha P Murphy</i></p> <p>note: Randall resigns 12 oct 81; replaced by Bradley Nash.</p>	<p>1983-85 <i>Bradley D Nash W Clifton Butts</i></p> <p><i>Walton D Stowell David H Brady Lloyd S Hough Ruby B Reeler Anna W Phillips</i></p>	<p>1985-87 <i>Bradley D Nash W Clifton Butts</i></p> <p><i>Walton D Stowell David H Brady Lloyd S Hough Ruby B Reeler Charles E Thompson</i></p>	<p>1987-89 H W "Bill" Brawley <i>W Clifton Butts</i></p> <p><i>Walton D Stowell David H Brady Robert M Johnson Ruby B Reeler Charles E Thompson</i></p> <p>note: Sometime before jan 88 Darren Lisse replaced Brady. 1987 minutes missing from CD. Butts resigned 29 oct 88; replaced by Nancy Myers 13 feb 89.</p>	<p>1989-91 <i>H W "Bill" Brawley Nancy Myers</i></p> <p><i>Walton D Stowell Barry M Bryan Robert M Johnson Ruby B Reeler Linda O Rago</i></p> <p>note: Brawley resigned effective 20 sep 89; replaced by Adam Craven, 11 sep 89. Myers resigned nov 89; replaced by Lloyd Jones 8 jan 90.</p>

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<p>1991-93 m Adam P Craven sr r John Hughes</p> <p>c Walton D Stowell Lloyd J Jones Agatha P Murphy Ruby B Reeler Linda O Rago</p>	<p>1993-95 <i>Adam P Craven sr</i> <i>John Hughes</i></p> <p><i>Walton D Stowell</i> <i>Freida Kidwell</i> <i>Agatha P Murphy</i> <i>Ruby B Reeler</i> <i>Linda O Rago</i></p>	<p>1995-97 Walton D Stowell <i>John Hughes</i></p> <p>Annette Hale Carole Carter Peter Bradford <i>Ruby B Reeler</i> <i>Linda O Rago</i></p>	<p>1997-99 <i>Walton D Stowell</i> <i>John Hughes</i></p> <p><i>Annette Hale</i> <i>Carole Carter</i> <i>Peter Bradford</i> Dan Riss <i>Linda O Rago</i></p>	<p>1999-2001 <i>Walton D Stowell</i> Nancy Spencer</p> <p>John Hughes Freida Kidwell <i>Peter Bradford</i> <i>Dan Riss</i> <i>Linda O Rago</i></p>
<p>2001-03 m James A Addy r Nancy Spencer</p> <p>c John Hughes <i>Freida Kidwell</i> <i>Peter Bradford</i> Dan Riss Charlotte Thompson</p>	<p>2003-05 <i>James A Addy</i> Holly Davies</p> <p>Al Alsdorf <i>Freida Kidwell</i> <i>Peter Bradford</i> Dan Riss <i>Charlotte Thompson</i></p>	<p>2005-07 <i>James A Addy</i> Marsha Mills</p> <p>Bob DuBose <i>Freida Kidwell</i> Barry M Bryan Dan Riss <i>Charlotte Thompson</i></p>	<p>2007-09 <i>James A Addy</i> Betsy Bainbridge</p> <p>Joe Anderson Brendan Soennekan Robert M Johnson Dan Riss <i>Charlotte Thompson</i></p>	<p>2009-11</p>

Town political history notes:

1763--The town of "Shenandoah Falls at Mr Harper's Ferry" recognized by an act of the Virginia General Assembly

1827--8 January: An act by the Virginia General Assembly established the town of "Virginius."

1851--24 March: The town of "Harper's Ferry" incorporated by an act of the Virginia General Assembly, which also absorbed the town of Virginius. Act amended 13 December 1852.

1852--Town surveyed and platted by S Howell Brown; sale of Armory lots to workers. Further sales in 1853.

1863--20 June: State of West Virginia established. "Retrocession of Jefferson County ...from the seceded Commonwealth of Virginia to the new State of West Virginia would seem to have abandoned the legislative contract formerly between now disassociated parties." [Kusner, 1984]

1867--21 February: WV Legislature repealed the act of Virginia which incorporated Harper's Ferry. [Other towns also had charters and incorporations repealed?] Subsequent administration apparently by County Supervisors under Township rules.

1868--23 December: WV Legislature united Townships of Bolivar and Harper's Ferry into a new entity called "Bolivar township."

1869--Sale of Armory lots.

1872--6 April, Saturday: From the *Virginia Free Press*, published in Charles Town WV: "On Thursday of last week [4 April] a vote was taken by the citizens of Harper's Ferry to determine whether or not application should be made for an incorporation of the Town. The vote resulted-- for, 67; against, 32. The meagre vote indicates but little interest in the matter."

--16 April the Circuit Court of Jefferson County issued a certificate of incorporation to the Town of Harpers Ferry.

1878--Sale of Armory lots. Further sales in 1880, 1881, 1884.

1944--30 June: Congress authorises Harpers Ferry National Monument. Became National Park 29 April 1963.

Notes on elections and terms:

1. The mayor and council under Virginia laws were elected in early May, and served one year terms from June to May, from 1851 to 1860. The town had a mayor, a recorder, and nine councilmen. [In 1853, the Virginia Free Press reported the election of "Trustees"]
2. There seems to have been no election in 1861 due to the turmoil surrounding secession.
3. Town affairs administered under martial law of occupying forces 1861 to 1865.
4. [elections in 1866?]
5. Town dis-incorporated 21 Feb 1867. Town affairs apparently conducted by County Supervisors under township law. United with Bolivar Township 23 Dec 1868 to 30 June 1872.
6. The first mayor and council after incorporation under WV law were elected 7 June 1872 and served until 31 Jan 1873. The town had a mayor, a recorder, and five councilmen.
7. Elections were in January from 1873 to 1929, usually in the first week. Terms ran 1 February to 31 January the next year.
8. Elections were and are held in June from 1930 to present. Terms ran from 1 July to 30 June.
9. Terms were one year from 1873 to 1933.
10. From July 1933 to present, terms were and are 2 years, from 1 July in odd years to 30 June the next odd year.
11. Slate elected 1929 served from 1 February 1929 to June 30 1930, as a transition between elections in January and elections in June.

cite: Kusner, John S., "Jefferson County's Two Lost Municipal Corporations", *The Magazine of the Jefferson County Historical Society*, vol L, 1984, pg 38.

see also: letter to Mayor Brawley, 15 June 1979, from Edward Fox, Project Coordinator for Eastern Panhandle Regional Planning and Development Council, Region 9, in Town files, regarding town incorporation status.