



# CORPORATION OF HARPERS FERRY

## Town Council

### MINUTES

**Special Meeting**

**Saturday, 8 February 2020**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Town Hall • 1000 Washington Street, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia 25425**

Called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mayor Bishop.

Member	Title	Status
Wayne Bishop	Mayor	Present
Kevin Carden	Recorder	Present
Barbara Humes	Councilmember	Present
Hardwick S. Johnson, Jr.	Councilmember	Present
Christian Pechuekonis	Councilmember	Present
Jay Premack	Councilmember	Present
Charlotte Thompson	Councilmember	Present

**1. Update on proposed WV Senate Bill 657 and proposed WV House Bill 4641.**

Mayor Bishop presented an overview of the West Virginia Senate Government Organization Committee’s hearing earlier this week concerning SB 657. The Mayor said no public comments would be taken at this meeting; all comments should be submitted in writing to the Town. However, lively discussion ensued between the governing body, the Hill Top Hotel developers, and members of the public.

**2. Discussion and action regarding the path forward for the Town Council regarding the State of West Virginia pre-empting the Town’s laws, processes, zoning and ordinances, and the expropriation of public land.**

<b>Motion</b>	Motion to move forward with immediate mediation to negotiate the use of public streets by SWaN Hill Top.
<b>Motion by</b>	Barbara Humes
<b>Second</b>	Charlotte Thompson
<b>YES</b>	Bishop, Humes, Johnson, Thompson
<b>NO</b>	Carden, Pechuekonis, Premack
<b>Result</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED</b>

**3. Discussion and action regarding legal counsel’s current role to assist the Town with matters regarding proposed WV Senate Bill 657 and proposed WV House Bill 4641.**

<b>Motion</b>	Motion to continue using Attorney Mark Sadd’s services to assist the Town with matters regarding WV Senate Bill 657 and WV House Bill 4641.
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<b>Motion by</b>	Charlotte Thompson
<b>Second</b>	Hardy Johnson
<b>YES</b>	Bishop, Humes, Johnson, Thompson
<b>NO</b>	Carden, Pechuekonis, Premack
<b>Result</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED</b>

Motion to adjourn by Charlotte Thompson, second by Hardy Johnson. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

*The above minutes are true and correct, as approved.*

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorder: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_