

TOWN OF UNION BRIDGE
WORK SESSION
August 10, 2026

The Council held a work session meeting on August 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., in the Town Hall. Notice of the meeting was given by posting the agenda at the Town Hall, on the Town's website, and provision to the Carroll County Times. Those present were Mayor Perry L. Jones Jr; Ellen Cutsail; Bret Grossnickle; Logan Grossnickle; Clerk Treasurer, Dawn Metcalf. Council President Laura Conaway and Councilmember Anthony Bowman were absent.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

- The town received 3M's third PFAS settlement payment in the amount of \$31,143.95.
- Discussed the Shriner Courts Payment in Lieu of Taxes July 2026 payment.
- Discussed the possibility of storing vehicles that are in violation of the Town Code within the fence at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- The Town will be letting Carroll County Department of Citizen Services use the Community Center every third Wednesday of the month free of charge to offer additional outreach services for the residents of Union Bridge. Ayden Almony, Program Engagement Coordinator, will be at the Community Center when it is in use and will be responsible for the center's care.
- Discussed the overgrowth issue in the drainage ditch that runs along Union Bridge Road on Wormald's property.
- Discussion on Potomac Edison's offer to purchase land from the Town for the substation.

LAURA CONAWAY

- Ms. Conaway was absent.

ELLEN CUTSAIL

- Ms. Cutsail reported that Les Dietz is interested in using the ball diamonds for a travel baseball team he is putting together under West Carroll Rec. Currently, the Town has an MOU with Taneytown Lions Baseball. After discussion, Council agreed that Mr. Dietz needs to speak with Rusty Rill of Taneytown Lions Baseball to see if they can work out a schedule for Mr. Dietz's team to use the baseball fields. Ms. Cutsail will inform Mr. Dietz.

BRET GROSSNICKLE

- The Town received an email from Roberta Windham concerning a county loan to assist Union Bridge with the construction of an expanded-capacity (0.4) wastewater treatment facility. Everyone was given a copy of the email to review. At this time, Mr. Grossnickle doesn't think the Town should accept the County's loan offer.
- Mr. Grossnickle stated that there will be a virtual meeting with the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Steve Palmer, on August 24, 2026, at 2:30 to meet with potential state and federal agency reps who are potential water infrastructure financiers in order to discuss Union Bridge's wastewater treatment plant and the difficulties with a potential expansion.
- PFAS Project - There has been discussion with the Town's Engineer and MDE on performing Bench Testing. Bench testing is used to screen and compare different PFAS removal technologies before committing to pilot or full-scale systems. Bret thinks it would be beneficial for Union Bridge to perform the Bench Testing, as it will predict performance at larger scales and help Union Bridge choose the most reliable treatment method for its PFAS removal.

TONY BOWMAN

- Mr. Bowman was absent.

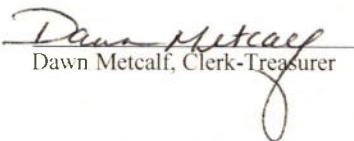
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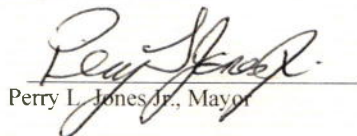
- Mr. Grossnickle had no new business.

MAYOR JONES

- Mayor Jones had no new business.

The August council meeting will be held on August 24, 2026.
The September work session meeting will be held on September 14, 2026.


Dawn Metcalf, Clerk-Treasurer


Perry L. Jones Jr., Mayor