



Town of Bladensburg Town Clerk Report

Town Meetings & Town Community Events

Date Range: 3/1/2025 to 3/31/2025

Meeting / Event	Location / Date / Time
Work Session	March 10, 2025, at 5:30 pm
Town Council Meeting	March 10, 2025, at 7:00 pm
Exploring Black History in Bladensburg	February 8, 2025, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Clerk's Department

Updating Personnel Files

Currently updating all personnel files for the town to ensure accuracy and compliance.

Addressing PIA Requests

Successfully addressed and responded to all Public Information Act (PIA) requests in a timely manner.

Town Council Specific Events:

Procurement

RFQ / RFP #	Description	Important Dates / Notes
RFP- FY 004-2025	Stop Sign Camera Enforcement Program	The RFP has been posted and is due by March 14th. To ensure greater visibility and encourage wider participation, we have also made the RFP available on EMMA
	Vehicle Disposal	Four of the eight vehicles have been sold and picked up. We are awaiting payment for two, while the remaining two will be re-auctioned next week.
RFP 005-2025	Janitorial Services	The RFP has been posted and is due by March 21st. To ensure greater visibility and encourage wider participation, we have also made the RFP available on EMMA



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Grants

Grant #	Description	Important Dates / Notes
CDBG PY 50	Sidewalks Project	I am currently working on the RFP. It should be out by the end of March.
CDBGY 49	Bridge Repairs (3)	The project is nearly complete. The contractor is awaiting delivery of parts to finalize the work. We have applied for partial reimbursement and are currently awaiting payment

Human Resources

Event	Date / Time
We will be meeting with Ramos HR Consulting this week. We have already sent them the Policy Manual to start to work on	March 6, 2025/ 3:00 PM

Marketing Department

1. **Chromebook Distribution Complete:** A final push on February 13 ensured all Port Towns Chromebooks were successfully distributed to the community.
2. **Rain Barrel Giveaway:** April showers bring more than just flowers—they bring FREE rain barrels! Join us for a Rain Barrel Giveaway and workshop to learn how to capture and care for rainwater right at home. Limited barrels available, so make sure to pre-register today to secure your spot at one of our four workshops in the Port Towns. The Bladensburg workshop is on April 1. Don't miss out—get ready to make a splash this spring! Sign up on our website.
3. **Support for Federal Workers:** We've added helpful public servant resource links on our website to assist federal workers impacted by layoffs. Check out the resources available to support our local workforce.
4. **Women's History Month:** March is Women's History Month, and Bladensburg is proud to celebrate the incredible women who've made a lasting impact on our community and beyond.



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5. **Tree City USA:** On World Wildlife Day (March 3), we're excited to announce that the Arbor Day Foundation has recognized Bladensburg for its dedication to urban forestry. As a Tree City USA, we join a global network of towns committed to sustainability and tree conservation. Thank you for your ongoing support in building a greener, healthier future!
6. **Discover Bostwick: Community Event:** We're teaming up with the Prince George's Planning Department for the Discover Bostwick event at the historic Bostwick House (3901 48th Street, Bladensburg, MD). Explore local history, share your ideas for the future, and enjoy fun activities, crafts, games, and live music from Too Much Talent. The first 100 attendees get FREE ice cream, so arrive early! Free parking is available at 3950 48th Street. Don't miss this great community gathering!
7. **Port Towns Green Event:** We are planning an exciting Port Towns Green Event for April 26. Stay tuned for more details and get ready to be part of something green and great!
8. **National Employee Appreciation Day:** On March 7, we celebrated National Employee Appreciation Day. A huge thank you to all of our employees for their dedication and teamwork in making Bladensburg a thriving, prideful town.
9. **Bladensburg Chronicle - Spring 2025 Edition:** Be on the lookout for the Spring 2025 newsletter, blooming in your mailboxes before the first day of spring!
10. **65th Anniversary of Elizabeth Seton High School:** Congratulations to Elizabeth Seton High School for celebrating their 65th Anniversary! Here's to many more years of success and service to the community.

General Items:

On February 26th, I attended the COG Chief Procurement Officers' Committee meeting at the Ronald F. Kirby Training Center. The session began with a welcome and introductions by Christopher Pipinou of COG, followed by remarks from Clark Mercer, the COG Executive Director. He provided insights into the current state of procurement, which helped contextualize the ongoing economic changes impacting procurement strategies in Maryland and Virginia. A key discussion led by Scott Boggs, COG Director of DHSPS, focused on the successes of cooperative procurements for public safety in the National Capital Region, which highlighted effective collaboration among regional agencies.

The meeting also included an in-depth review of COG cooperatives, facilitated by Christopher Pipinou, which showcased current cooperative procurement opportunities and encouraged suggestions for future ones. The roundtable session



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provided a valuable space to discuss challenges and opportunities facing jurisdictions, especially in light of evolving procurement practices.

This meeting was highly informative, offering new insights into procurement strategies, and I also connected with contacts from Prince George's County and Montgomery County for future procurement inquiries.

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