



## Town of Bladensburg Town Clerk Report

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### Town Meetings & Town Community Events

Date Range: 7/1/2025 to 7/31/2025

Meeting / Event	Location / Date / Time
Work Session	July 14, 2025, at 5:30 pm
Town Council Meeting	July 14, 2025, at 7:00 pm
Reimagine Recreation at Bladensburg Branch Library	July 15, 2025, at 6:00 pm
Community Meeting	July 19, 2025, at 10:00 am
Reimagine Recreation at Bladensburg Community Center	July 22, 2025, at 5:30 pm

### Clerk's Department:

#### Public Information Act (PIA) Requests

The new CivicPlus online platform for managing PIA requests is up and we have been accepting requests. We processed 3 PIA this month and worked on a few others.

#### General Code Project

We are working with the Town Attorney and Shuan to finalize the project, ensuring all editorial changes are approved. The goal is to have the updated software fully operational by August.

### Procurement:

RFQ / RFP #	Description	Important Dates / Notes
RFP- 10-2025	CDBG PY 50 Sidewalk Project	We have officially advertised the second phase of the Sidewalk Project RFP. Submissions are due by Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 3:00 PM.

### Grants:

Grant #	Description	Important Dates / Notes
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### Marketing Department:



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#### **Reimagine Recreation: We Want to Hear From You!**

Help shape the future of recreation in Bladensburg! Join a **Community Feedback Session** to share your ideas:

- *Tuesday, July 15 | 6:00-7:30 PM* - Bladensburg Branch Library
  - *Tuesday, July 22 | 5:30-7:00 PM* - Bladensburg Community Center
- Surveys, suggestions, and creative input welcome!

#### **Concerts at Bladensburg Waterfront Park**

This Summer, check out the **Bladensburg Waterfront Park** for free live music, community vibes, and sunset views. Don't forget your chair and picnic blanket!

##### **Summer Lineup:**

- *July 12* - The Love Station
  - *July 20* - The Exclusives
  - *August 3* - Ocho de Bastos
- All performances are from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

#### **This Could Go Boom Festival**

A FREE celebration of gender diversity in music & art

Saturday, July 27, 2025

Bladensburg Waterfront Park

11:00am - 6:00pm

Get ready for an all-day outdoor experience featuring: Music stages | Art installations | Food trucks | Vendors

Headliners: Speedy Ortiz, River Shook, & Crys Matthews

Powered by This Could Go Boom!, a nonprofit record label amplifying gender-diverse voices in the arts.

Let the music move you all summer long in Bladensburg!

#### **Bladensburg at MML 2025**



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Team Bladensburg had a fantastic time at the **Maryland Municipal League Summer Conference!** We returned with fresh ideas to keep enhancing life in our town. Special congratulations to Mayor James, named President-Elect of the 2025-2026 MML Board of Directors!

#### **2025 Bladensburg Fireworks**

Thank you for making the **2025 Bladensburg Fireworks** an unforgettable celebration! From music to memories, we're grateful for everyone who joined us and to all the teams who made it possible. We're already looking ahead to the *250th Anniversary of America* next year—stay tuned!

#### **ECO City Farms Summer Open House**

*Friday, July 18 | 6:00-8:00 PM*

Enjoy fresh food, chef demos, farm tours, kids' activities, giveaways, and more! SNAP/EBT accepted. Join us at **ECO City Farms Bladensburg** for a community celebration of local food and sustainability.

#### **America in Bloom Evaluation - July 17 & 18**

Bladensburg will welcome **America in Bloom** advisors to assess our town's vitality, floral impact, green spaces, and more. Let's show off our community pride!

#### **Save the Date: Bladensburg Day - Saturday, October 18**

Celebrate our town's rich history and vibrant future with a parade at 10:00am and a festival from 11:00am-3:00pm at David C. Harrington Park!

#### **Peace Cross 100th Anniversary Ceremony**

Held on *July 12*, this meaningful event honored one of Bladensburg's most iconic landmarks -the Peace Cross Memorial that honors the brave 49 fallen servicemen of World War 1 from Prince George's County.

#### **More Upcoming Events to Watch For**

- *Movie on the Lawn* at Bostwick House - Friday, September 5 - 7:30pm to 9:30pm
- *Senior Gathering* - Tuesday, September 9 - 10:00am to 2:00pm



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- *Election Day* - Monday, October 6 | 7:00am - 7:00pm at Bladensburg Town Hall

#### **Have a Wonderful Summer, Bladensburg!**

We've had an incredible season of connection, creativity, and celebration. Thank you for being a part of it. We can't wait to welcome the fall together—stay tuned for even more exciting events and community moments!

#### **General Items:**

We attended the 2025-2026 Maryland Municipal League (MML) Summer Conference in June, and it was an incredible experience. I had the opportunity to participate in several informative sessions, including the Public Information Act and Open Meetings classes, which offered valuable insights into transparency and governance.

The conference also provided excellent networking opportunities with colleagues from across the state. I attended the Municipal Clerks Luncheon, where we discussed the latest updates from the association for 2025-2026, including the introduction of the new President and Vice President.

A special congratulations to our Mayor, who was named President-Elect of the 2025-2026 MML Board of Directors—a well-deserved honor!

I'm excited to apply the knowledge and connections gained during the conference to help strengthen our internal operations and enhance our engagement with residents.

***Regine R. Watson***