



# **TOWN OF BLADENSBURG WORK SESSION | NOVEMBER 18, 2024**

**November 18, 2024 at 5:30 PM**

**4229 Edmonston RD, Bladensburg, MD 20710**

## **MINUTES**

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**Attendance:** Mayor James, CM Brown, CM Blount, CM McBryde, CM Dixon, TA Bailey Hedgepeth, TC Watson, Treasurer Tinelli, and Chief Collington.

### **1. Call to Order**

Mayor James called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

### **2. Approval of Agenda**

Mayor James called for a motion to approve the agenda. CM Dixon moved the motion, and CM Blount seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

#### **A. Town Council Work Session Minutes | October 14, 2024**

Mayor James called for a motion to approve the October 14, 2024, Town Council Work Session minutes; CM Blount moved the motion, and CM McBryde seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

### **4. Unfinished Business**

#### **A. Presentation | Flood Mitigation Project: Edmonston Channel and Quincy Run – Public Outreach Update**

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth introduced Ms. Joanna Smith from Prince Georges County of Public Works and Transportation. Ms. Smith presented the council with details regarding the project. The project included a design to reduce flooding within Bladensburg along the Edmonston Channel and Quincy Road. This was an informational Item, and a copy of the presentation was included with the packet.

#### **B. Ordinance 04-2025 | An ordinance to enact the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Process**

Town Administrator Bailey Hedgepeth discussed the dates and the budget process.

## **5. Financial Business**

### **A. Presentation | ARPA Recap**

Treasurer Tinelli provided a detailed review of the ARPA funds expenditures, balance, and how the town plans to utilize the remaining funds.

### **B. Budget Ordinance 05-2025 | A budget ordinance to amend the FY 2025 for the acceptance of the US Department of Justice COPS Grant funding.**

Chief Collington gave a brief update on the COPS grant and why the town should accept the budget transfer into this year's budget.

### **C. Budget Ordinance 06-2025 | A budget ordinance to amend the FY 2025 for the acceptance of the Maryland Smart Energy Communities (MSEC) FY2024 Grant Program of \$100,000 (Total Grant \$400,000).**

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth discussed the Maryland Smart Energy Communities FY 2024 grant program of \$100,000.

### **D. Budget Ordinance 07-2025 | A budget ordinance to amend the FY 2025 for the acceptance of the 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Award for \$22,500.**

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth discussed the 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Award for \$22,500.

### **E. Budget Ordinance 08-2025 | A budget ordinance to amend the FY 2025 for the acceptance of the SFY25 Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Award for \$40,000**

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth discussed the S. FY25 Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program award for \$40,000.

## **6. New Business**

### **A. Resolution 08-2025 | A Resolution to the Town of Bladensburg Acknowledging Harriet Tubman Appreciation Month, November 2024**

Mayor James mentioned that this request was sent for the Council's approval to recognize November as Harriet Tubman Appreciation Month.

- B. Resolution 09-2025 |** A Resolution Recognizing Municipal Government Works Month for November 2024

Mayor James mentioned that this resolution will be read entirely at the 7 o'clock meeting. She discussed that November is Municipal Government Works Month.

- C. Contract Approval |** Approval of a contract with ECOSITE LLC to develop engineering and project documents for Prince George's County Stormwater Grants managed by Chesapeake Bay Trust

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth mentioned this agreement with ECOSITE, who will work with us specifically on our Chesapeake Bay Trust grants, and that the company will be providing grant assistance and engineering services.

- D. Contract Approval |** Council ratification of an addendum of the contract with Modaxo for Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) due to a change of ownership for the remainder of the term.

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth discussed the contract ratification and the addendum of the contract with Modaxo.

- E. Contract Approval |** Approval of a contract with NEW HOLLAND AUTO GROUP or other vendors (using State Contract Bidding Exception) to purchase four (4) replacement vehicles for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$187,878.00

Chief Collington explained this contract would allow the town to replace four (4) police department vehicles that the LGIT had totaled.

## **7. Adjournment**

Mayor James called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. CM McBryde moved the motion; CM Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.