



Town of Bladensburg

Town Clerk Report

Town Meetings & Town Community Events

Date Range: 6/1/2025 to 6/30/2025

Meeting / Event	Location / Date / Time
Work Session	June 9, 2025, at 5:30 pm
Town Council Meeting	June 9, 2025, at 7:00 pm
Juneteenth: Paint & Unity	June 20, 2025, at 5:00 pm

Clerk's Department:

Personnel Files Update

All personnel files have been thoroughly updated and organized.

Public Information Act (PIA) Requests

The new CivicPlus online platform for managing PIA requests is up and we have been accepting requests.

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 received a total of nine submissions and have made a recommendation to the council for consideration at the June 9th meeting

Grants:

Grant #	Description	Important Dates / Notes
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Marketing Department:

1. Honoring Heroes: Memorial Day & Pearl Harbor Dedication



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We partnered with American Legion Colmar Manor Post 131 to host a moving Memorial Day Ceremony at Bladensburg Memorial Park, where we unveiled the new Pearl Harbor Memorial, spearheaded by local Eagle Scout Ethan Mendoza. His dedication and vision brought a lasting tribute to our community, reminding us of the power of honoring the past.

2. Green Team Connections: UMD Summit

On May 29, we joined other municipalities at the Green Team Summit at the University of Maryland to share ideas for building greener, more sustainable communities. Let's keep moving Bladensburg forward!

3. Congratulations, Class of 2025!

We proudly distributed yard signs to celebrate Bladensburg's graduates and highlighted each local school on social media during their graduation days. Your success is our pride!

4. Student Success Spotlight: Bladensburg High Builders

Bladensburg High School's student carpenters and electricians made headlines as part of the student-built house is on the market for an incredible \$749,000 in Bowie. We're so proud of our future leaders and skilled trades!

5. A Month of Community Service: National Weeks

May was filled with important recognitions—Police Week, EMS Week, and Public Works Week—honoring those who keep our town safe, healthy, and running smoothly. Thank you for your service!

6. Promoting Port Towns Transportation Service

We helped get the word out: Bladensburg and Colmar Manor seniors can now call Town Hall (301-927-7048) to book their Port Towns bus rides. Same great service—new easy access!

7. Peace Cross 100th Anniversary Ceremony

Join us as we honor a century of remembrance at the Peace Cross 100th Anniversary on July 12, 2025, 11 AM at the Peace Cross Memorial. Let's reflect on the past and inspire the future, followed by a light luncheon at the Cheverly American Legion.



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8. Bladensburg Fireworks Celebration: Honoring Our Heroes

The event of the Summer makes it return on July 2, 6-9:30 PM at Bladensburg Waterfront Park! Celebrate freedom, family, and our nation's heroes with music, food, pony rides, and a spectacular fireworks finale.

9. Mental Health Awareness Month Event

Thank you to everyone who attended the May 15 Film Screening & Panel Discussion of *We Lead By Example*. With thought-provoking dialogue, a cultural performance, and a strong message on resilience, it was an inspiring night of learning and connection.

10. Coming up: Juneteenth Paint & Unity

Celebrate freedom and creativity at Juneteenth: Paint & Unity on June 20, 5-7 PM at David C. Harrington Park. Be among the first 30 guests for free ice cream, and help us create a beautiful community art project!

General Items:

Jessica and I attended the 79th Avenue IIMC Conference, which proved to be an excellent and enriching experience. The conference featured a variety of high-quality educational sessions and valuable networking opportunities with fellow municipal professionals.

Key takeaways from the sessions included strategies to prevent workplace burnout, effective techniques for managing interactions with irate or upset residents, and best practices for maintaining a respectful and collaborative work environment among colleagues.

In addition to the training sessions, we participated in the Region 2 meetings, where we discussed regional updates, shared challenges, and exchanged ideas relevant to our municipalities.

Overall, the conference provided practical tools and insights that will directly support our work here at Town Hall, and I look forward to applying what we learned to improve internal operations and resident interactions.

Regine R. Watson