



# 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 Department 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 SFY25 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.