



TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION | MARCH 18, 2025

March 18, 2025 at 5:30 PM

4229 Edmonston RD, Bladensburg, MD 20710

MINUTES

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1. Call to Order

Mayor James called the meeting to order 5:31 pm

2. Approval of Agenda

Mayor James called for a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Dixon moved the motion, and Council Member Brown seconded it. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 5-0.

3. Financial Business

A. FY 2026 Budget Overview Update | Administrative Departments

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth and Town Treasurer Tinelli presented a comprehensive review of the current budget, highlighting key areas of concern and adjustments needed moving forward. Chief Collington also provided an in-depth update on the recent expansion of Public Safety services over the past several months, detailing new initiatives and the growing needs of the department.

The primary focus of this budget meeting was on the administrative departments. The discussion centered on identifying the causes of revenue loss, the increasing operational expenses, and the challenges posed by these financial pressures. Additionally, several possible areas for cost savings were explored, including potential cuts and efficiencies that could help mitigate the impact of these financial strains on the town's overall budget."

Mayor James called for a motion to excuse Council Member Blount for her absence. Council Member Brown moved the motion, and Council Member McBryde seconded it

4. Adjournment

Mayor James called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. CM McBryde moved the motion, and CM Dixon seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.