

TOWN OF BLADENSBURG WORK SESSION | DECEMBER 9, 2024

December 09, 2024 at 5:30 PM 4229 Edmonston RD, Bladensburg, MD 20710 MINUTES

Attendance: Mayor James, CM Brown, CM Blount, CM McBryde, CM Dixon, TA Bailey Hedgepeth, TC Watson, Treasurer Tinelli, Chief Collington, PW Supervisor Hall and CE Supervisor Rinehart.

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 McBryde moved the motion, CM Dixon seconded the motion. No questions or comments, the motion passed.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Work Session Minutes | November 18, 2024.

Mayor James called for a motion to approve November 18th minutes, CM Brown moved the motion, CM Blount seconded the motion. Minor grammar errors were mentioned, the motion passed.

4. Unfinished Business

A. Presentation | Bates Trucking | Trial of the Electronic Truck for Recycling 30 days (4 Collections) Council Discretion on whether the Town would like to participate.

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth introduced Carolyn Bates, who shared a presentation to the Council regarding a 30-day trial for their electric trucks.

5. Financial Business

A. ORDINANCE NO. 04-2025 | AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET PROCESS AND CODIFY THE TOWN COUNCIL AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Town Treasurer Tinelli shared the budget calendar to be approved.

6. New Business

A. ORDINANCE NO. 09-2025 AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
BLADENSBURG ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR THE PROPER CARE, MAINTENANCE, AND
MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC TREES WITHIN THE TOWN OF BLADENSBURG.

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth explained the process that will take place once the ordinance is approved.

B. Resolution 10-2025 | A Resolution to Adopt the Tree City USA Principles and Tree Care Standards in the Town of Bladensburg

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth explained the great benefit that Public Works would receive by being able to collaborate with other teams once they are a part of the Tree City USA.

C. Resolution 11-2025 | A Resolution of Support for the Clean Energy for Local Governments (CELG) FY25 Application for Medium and Heavy-Duty Zero-Emission Vehicles

Town Administrator Bailey-Hedgepeth explained the resolution to the Council. The new bus would provide more services for seniors and disabled residents. The electric vehicles would also provide initiatives aimed at reducing gas emissions and operational costs. This would also be a collaboration with the neighboring towns.

D. Resolution 12-2025 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF TO THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG) TO THE COG BOARDS AND POLICY COMMITTEES FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR.

Town Administraor Bailey-Hedgepeth explained the appointments, timeframes and the different reappointments.

7. Adjournment

Mayor James called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. CM Blount moved the motion, CM Dixon seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm.