



**VILLAGE OF NORTH BALTIMORE**  
**Economic and Community Dev. Comm. Meeting - 1/13/26**

January 13, 2026  
4:30 PM

**Minutes**

- I. Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. Council Photograph Session**
- III. America250 & Village 150th Anniversary Presentation by Ms. Pam Van Mooy**

Ms. Pam Van Mooy, President of the North Baltimore Historical Society, gave a brief presentation about the organization's plans for America250 and the Village's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

She stated that she was not in charge of any America250 plans or committees that the Village might form but was willing to assist with activities.

Ms. Van Mooy detailed upcoming events by the Historical Society to celebrate both anniversaries, including the creation of an updated historical records book.

She stated that the most recent edition of the book featured photos from a previous Mayor issuing a proclamation to commemorate the Village's bicentennial anniversary. She suggested that Mayor Patterson issue a proclamation for the Village's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Ms. Van Mooy stated that the Historical Society was on a hiatus until March, but the library was conducting multiple events related to America250.

She asked if the Village had any events they wanted to coordinate with the Historical Society.

Ms. Hefner discussed a potential celebration near Independence Day (July 4<sup>th</sup>) that could include fireworks. She asked Ms. Van Mooy if the Historical Society would be interested in assisting with the event as a 501(c)(3) organization.

Ms. Van Mooy clarified that the Historical Society qualified as a 501(c)(3) organization, but the Friends of the Library had a different tax-exempt classification. She stated that if proposed to the Historical Society, she expected that they would accept the offer.

She stated that a national bell ringing event will take place at noon on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and suggested the Village participate.

Present council members discussed details about the proposed festival. Administrator Bender asked if Council wanted to partner with another organization to hold fireworks, such as the Village Festival Organization.

Ms. Hefner proposed a tee-shirt design competition for the official festival shirt.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:17 PM.