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**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLADENSBURG
WORK SESSION MINUTES
Thursday, April 13, 2023 @ 5:30PM
This meeting was held entirely virtual (Zoom)**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Mayor James and Council Members Blount, Brown, McBryde, and Route. Also in attendance were Chief Collington, Code Enforcement Officer Rinehart, Treasurer Tinelli, and Town Clerk Charnovich.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Brown to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Council Member Blount. The motion passed 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 13, 2023 Work Session Minutes

A motion was made by Council Member Blount to approve the February 13, 2023 work session minutes, which was seconded by Council Member Route. The motion passed 5-0.

March 13, 2023 Work Session Minutes

A motion was made by Council Member Brown to approve the work session meeting minutes, which was seconded by Council Member Blount. The motion passed 5-0.

APPEARANCES

Michael D. Johnson, Prince George's County Public Works Director: Bladensburg Flood Barrier PILOT Project

Mayor James introduced Prince George's County Public Works Director, Michael Johnson. Mr. Johnson and Associate Director Smith made a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed flood barrier project. It was determined this would be talked about further during the regular meeting on April 13 under financial business.

Renee Green: Patriotic Committee Update

Renee Green provided a Patriotic Committee Update including Memorial Day planning and What the Flag Means to me Contest.

Suellen Ferguson, Town Attorney

Small Cell Tower Application Process

Town Attorney Ferguson explained the law related to small cell tower installations, along with the application process, in local jurisdictions. Options were discussed such as allowing the County Cable Commission to handle the review of the applications, with a second option being the local government utilizing a consulting firm to review the applications. The review cost can be recouped by the local government from the applicant.

Ethics and Financial Disclosure Form Updates

Town Attorney Ferguson explained the process to update the Town's ethics and financial disclosure forms. Town Attorney Ferguson advised that the Town should adopt the changes and that she would notify the Ethics Commission.

OLD BUSINESS

Board of Supervisor of Elections Appointments

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

NEW BUSINESS

Annexation Specialist RFP

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

Growing Green with Pride Event: Weekend of April 22, 2023

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

Mosquito Spraying Program for 2023

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

Mental Health Awareness Day 2023 Event

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

End Time Harvest Ministries 2023 Graduation Banquet

This item was tabled in the interest of time.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Council Member Blount, which was seconded by Council Member Brown. The motion passed 5-0.

