

TOWN OF BLADENSBURG
Work Session Minutes
October 21, 2019 @5:30pm

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Mayor James.

- II. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES:** Mayor James motioned to approve the September minutes. Motion was approved by Council Member Lundy. Motion was seconded by Council Member Dorsey. Motion was approved.

- III. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 1. **58TH Avenue Update: Mike Clar, Engineer**

Town Engineer Mike Clar provided an update road improvement on 58th Avenue. Mr. Clar stated milling and resurfacing was subcontracted, and additional work will commence on 10/22/19 pending good weather. Mr. Clar stated striping will be completed on Monday, along with all major work. Mr. Clar and Public Works Supervisor, Mr. Hall will conduct a thorough inspection of the site once work is finished.

Mayor James requested Mr. Clar briefly discuss the County's Stewardship Grant Program through the Chesapeake Bay Trust; and proposed a future meeting with Mr. Clar to further explore project ideas and other opportunities.

 2. **FIRST Quarter Financial Review: Treasurer Tinelli**

Treasurer Tinelli provided the financial report. Mayor James interrupted to facilitate roll call at 5:50PM. Council Members Lundy, Mendoza and Dorsey were present. Council Member Bridgeman was absent. Mayor James motioned to excuse Council Member Bridgeman. Council Member Lundy approved the motion. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dorsey. The motion was approved.

Mr. Hall and Chief Stone provided brief updates based on the needs demonstrated for the respective areas in the financial report. Mayor James congratulated Mr. Tinelli on his new appointment with the Kent County School District.

- IV. **NEW BUSINESS**
 1. **RESOLUTION 2-2019**

Ms. McAuley read RES. 2-2019, requesting support for the Town to submit an application to the Prince George's County Planning Board for assistance with the development of a marketing analysis plan. Ms. McAuley stated Town Administrator

and Grants Manager will manage the project moving forward. The Mayor and Council will discuss RES. 2-2019 further in Council Meeting.

2. Legislative Priorities

Mayor James requested comments on priorities and ideas from Council Members and staff for the Legislative Meet and Greet. Recommendations included:

- Zoning Authority for Town
- New Facilities to include all services (Fire, Police, etc.)
- Bladensburg Waterfront Park
- Traffic Management & Peace Cross
- Sidewalks on Quincy Street
- Bostwick
- Legislation to fund dredging and clean up

3. Upcoming Town Events

Chief Stone provided updates on the following events:

1. Fall Frenzy
2. Escape Night
3. Halloween

Mayor James provided updates on the following events:

1. November 11th- Veterans Day Event- Peace Cross; followed by luncheon at American Legion; Ms. Renee Green will facilitate a viewing of her documentary on the Peace Cross.
2. Thanksgiving Luncheon – November 28
3. Council Member Mendoza mentioned December 7th- Small Pearl Harbor Memorial at Peace Cross

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

U.S. Senator Ben Cardin's Bowie Office will host another meeting regarding issues with the Post Office. Mayor James will not be in attendance but encouraged representation from the Town. Meeting will be held on October 30, 2019 at 10:30 AM.

VI. AJOURNMENT

Council Member Mendoza made a motion to adjourn the meeting 6:30PM. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dorsey. The motion was approved.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Cecile K. Cunningham
Interim Town Clerk