



## Council Woman Jocelyn Route

Town of Bladensburg

Ward 1



**To:** Town of Bladensburg Residents, Staff, and Town Council  
**From:** Council Woman Jocelyn Route, MSW  
**cc:** Acting Town Administrator Rich Charnovich  
**Date:** July 11, 2022  
**Re:** Council Report – Ward 1

June is one of my favorite months of the year because we celebrate Fathers, the days are longer, lots of hot days, and this year we get to celebrate the abolishment of slavery during Juneteenth!

I am pleased that I was able to attend the Municipal League of Maryland Conference that took place in Ocean City, MD. I enjoyed the keynote speaker Will Bowen who spoke about COMPLAINING. I learned the 5 reasons why people complain and ways I can assist in turning complaining into collaboration. Another highlight was connecting with the Washington Gas & WSSC Maryland Area Managers to further understand resident assistance grants they have available. I was able to strategically speak with them about ways the Town can strengthen communications with them relating to notice given to residence about work conducted, street closings and adequate notice. At MML, I attended presentations on Police Reform, Municipal Budgeting, Open Meetings Act, Limits of Municipal Code Enforcement, Mental Health and Public Safety and Opioid Crisis Response.

We are now in the early voting Primary and I want to take this time to encourage everyone to exercise their right and get out to Vote. The election is July 19 & there are important government positions on the ballot.

I have participated in the following activities throughout the month of June:

- ❖ Town of Bladensburg Movie in the Park
- ❖ Participated in Town of Bladensburg Community Yard Sale
- ❖ Provided support to Bladensburg Residents in need of Yard Waste education and problem solving
- ❖ Community Meeting with the B5 Question and Answer to Chief Collington
- ❖ PGCMA Annual Breakfast at MML
- ❖ Juneteeth Celebrations within Prince George's County
- ❖ Bladensburg Police Explorer Graduation



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- ❖ Maryland Equity Task Force for COVID Vaccination closeout;
- ❖ State's Attorney Our Streets Our Future Community Rally
- ❖ Responded to Residents needs regarding Road & Safety Concerns on Quincy Street & Annapolis Rd
- ❖ Responded to Resident's complaints regarding Fireworks, yard waste, illegal signage and Resident rental inquiries
  - Thankful to the Bladensburg Police Department & Public Works for their response to residents
- ❖ Attended Mental Health First Aid Introductory Planning Meeting with EveryMind
- ❖ Attended District 47 2022 Annual Health Fair

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ Free Immunization Clinics at Bladensburg High School July 12th and 13th from 9am-3pm

All My Best,

Jocelyn Route, Council Woman