

**TOWN OF BLADENSBURG  
WORKSESSION MINUTES  
May 8, 2017, 2017 5:30 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor James called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with Council Members Bridgeman, Hall and present. Council Member Mendoza arrived at 5:40 p.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 4/10/17 Worksession Minutes:** Moved by Council Member Bridgeman; seconded by Council Member Hall and passed unanimously to approve minutes as presented.

**III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Budget Discussion: Mayor, Treasurer:** Budget changes included moving the Marketing allotment in house, more funds for seniors, reducing community grants, funds for signature events, and reducing funding for business development (also bringing some of this in-house). Youth programs are under the Police Department. A copy of all changes can be obtained from the Town Treasurer. Council Member Ficklin arrived at 6:10 p.m. Mayor James will research paying for health insurance for retired employees under 65.

Council Member Bridgeman moved to approve a \$25 license fee for each individual apartment in Town; Council Member Ficklin seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Hall-Aye, Council Member Bridgeman-Aye; Council Member Mendoza-Nay, Council Member Mendoza-Nay, Mayor James-Nay. The motion was defeated 3 to 2.

**Strategic Plan – Action Plan: Town Administrator Sandlin** reported that we are moving forward, incorporating the Action plan into the upcoming FY18 budget.

**FY 18 Grant Committee:** Treasurer Tinelli, Town Clerk McAuley, and Lt. Flynn were appointed as the committee to evaluate the completed applications.

**Parking Survey Update: Town Administrator Sandlin** gave an update on the survey, that indicated that many people acknowledge parking problems, the majority do not want to pay a fee for a permit to park. It was recommended that the Town investigate using grad students to do a parking study. Council Member Bridgeman moved to move forward on that idea; Council Member Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Prince George's County Grant and Easement for Bostwick:** Town Clerk

McAuley reported that in order to receive the recent grant award, the Town must provide an Easement to Prince George's Historic Preservation Commission and sign an agreement to that effect. Council Member Ficklin moved to approve the agreement; Council Member Mendoza seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Business License Requirements:** Treasurer, Code Supervisor: A form with the requirements will be instituted for the next budget year.

- V. **ADJOURNMENT:** At 6:35 p.m., there being no further Worksession business, it was moved, seconded and passed unanimously, to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. McAuley, Town Clerk