



Town of Blades
OFFICE OF MAYOR & COUNCIL
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July 13th, 2015
Annual Council Meeting
7PM @ Hardin Hall

AGENDA

- ❖ Lord's Prayer
- ❖ The Pledge of Allegiance
- ❖ Minutes from previous meeting
- ❖ Police Report
- ❖ Report from BEDCO
- ❖ Report from Planning and Zoning
- ❖ Unfinished Business:
 - Committee Reports:
 - Housing
 - Water
 - Street
 - Parks & Cemeteries
 - Police
 - Mayor's Report
- ❖ New Business:
 - Annexation Resolution
 - Planning & Zoning Board Recommendations
 - Mayor's Challenge Resolution #2015.07.13 R01
 - Schedule date for Workshop: week of July 27th to July 31st
 - Sussex County Revenue Share Grant: Expense Estimates
 - Flag Day Certificates for Scout Troop 182
- ❖ Good of the Community
- ❖ Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Issues
- ❖ Adjournment



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*****DURING THE COURSE OF THE COUNCIL MEETING, COUNCIL OR MAYOR MAY CALL AN EXECUTIVE SESSION***Pursuant to Title 29 Chapter 100 Section 10004(b)**

*****AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE*****

*****AGENDA ITEMS LISTED MAY BE CONSIDERED OUT OF SEQUENCE*****

In accordance with 29 Del. C. §10004(e)(2), this agenda was posted on July 6th, 2015 @ 3:00PM; and at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting; on the website and the community board at Town Hall. Amended on July 10, 2015 at 4:26PM VP.

This Agenda was prepared by the Town Administrator and is subject to change to include the addition or deletion of items, including Executive Sessions, which arise at the time of the Meeting.

APPROVED
BY COUNCIL



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BLADES POLICE DEPARTMENT
BLADES, DELAWARE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Robert Atkinson
Mayor of Blades

FROM: Chief Edwin C. Cooke *EC*
Chief of Police

THROUGH: Mr. Lee Benningfield
Police Commissioner

SUBJECT: **Monthly Report June 2015**

DATE: July 13, 2015

Traffic and Criminal Activity Statistics:

Traffic Arrest: (25) Criminal Arrest: (14)

DUI Arrest: (0) Criminal Complaints: (81) (42)

29P Local Fugitive (5) Domestic Related (7)

Vehicle Report

Crown Victoria 2001	Mileage	(135785)	Fuel	(TBA)
Ford Crown Vic 2009	Mileage	(79099)	Fuel	(166)
Dodge Durango (2005)	Mileage	(172625)	Fuel	(99) (NH 31)
Hummer (1993)	Mileage	(18505)	Fuel	(0)
Hummer (1978)	Mileage	(23500)	Fuel	(0)

Significant Event:

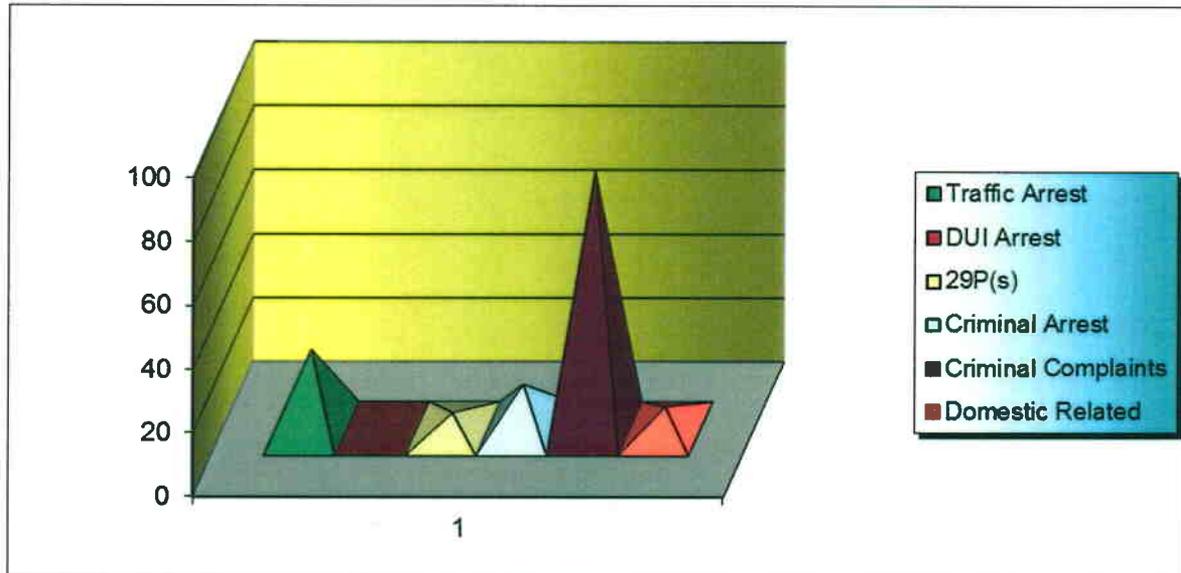
1. On Tuesday, June 9, 2015, Chief Edwin Cooke attended the Delaware Chiefs' Council meeting held at the Dover Police Department in Dover, Delaware.
2. On Wednesday, June 17, 2015, Chief Edwin Cooke attended the Sussex County Police Chiefs' Association meeting held at the Sussex County Emergency Operation Center (SUSCOM) in Georgetown, Delaware.
3. On Thursday, June 18, 2015, Ptlm. John Thompson participated in weapon shooting drills – Task, Conditions & Standards (TCSs) at the range. The training involved both handgun, patrol rifle and handgun and patrol rifle transitions.
4. On Friday, June 19, 2015, Blades Police Department sworn members participated in National Flag Day in the Blades Public Park which was re-scheduled from Sunday, June 14, 2015.
5. On Sunday, June 28, 2015, Chief Edwin Cooke completed the one day Sig Sauer 516 rifle armorer re-certification course taught at the Sig Sauer Academy in Epping, NH. The certification training is current for a three year period from date of completion.
6. On Thursday, July 9, 2015, Ptlm. Victor Matos completed the mid-year weapons qualification plus participated in weapon shooting drills – Task, Conditions & Standards (TCSs) at the range. The training involved both handgun, patrol rifle and handgun and patrol rifle transitions.

Noteworthy Mention:

7. Networking for the tenth annual Blades Community National Night Out continues with the event scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2015, in the Blades Public Park.
8. Patrolman John P. Thompson III resigned his sworn position with the Blades Police Department and has accepted a like position with the Seaford Police Department effective midnight Saturday, July 11, 2015.

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Traffic Arrests	DUI Arrests	29P(s)	Criminal Arrests	Criminal Complaint	Domestic Related
25	0	5	14	81	7



Town of Blades

Planning & Zoning
Meeting Minutes
Date July 6 2015

Commissioners Present, Ray Hastings, William Messenger, John Reiss, Michael Smith

Public Present: Wayne Simpler

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 PM__ by Chairman Reiss

Old Business None

New Business

Lee Benningfield submitted his resignation following his election to the Town Council. By rule, only one Councilman (Chairman Reiss) may serve on the commission. Motion to appoint Michael Smith to replace Benningfield made by Hastings, second by Messenger, Passed

Wayne Simpler presented plans for a dwelling on East 8th St. Motion to approve made by Hastings, second by Smith, Passed

C&M builders presented plans for a dwelling on lot 101 in Little Meadows. Motion to approve made by Hastings, Second by Smith, Passed

C&M builders presented plans for a dwelling on lot 92 in Little Meadows. Motion to approve made by Smith, Second by Hastings, Passed

Commissioner Terms of Office

Motion to appoint Messenger to a new term of office expiring in 2020 made by Smith, Second Hastings, Passed.

Commissioner term expirations are:

Reiss	2016
Hastings	2017
Hutton	2018
Smith	2019 (completes Benningfield's term)
Messenger	2020

Motion to adjourn by Hastings
Submitted by

William W. Messenger
Commissioner

Town of Blades

Inspection, Repair & Maintenance Record

Vehicle Identification

MONTH June 15

2013 CHEVY SONIC

Tire Size _____

WEEKLY SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE	WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE	WEEK FOUR	WEEK FIVE	CHECK COMPLETED BY INITIALS
CHECK OIL	✓ 6-1-15	✓ 6-8-15	✓ 6-15-15	✓ 6-22-15	✓ 6-29-15	MT
CHECK ANTI-FREEZE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	MT
CHECK TIRES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	MT
CHECK TIRE PRESSURE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	MT
CHECK OTHER FLUIDS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	MT
CHECK SIGNAL LIGHTS/BRAKE LIGHTS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	MT
MILEAGE	12210	12361	12520	12650	12866	MT



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Code Enforcement Report

June 2015

Compliants-7

Ordinance- 219 Dogs- 1

Ordinance # 416 Abandoned Vehicle- 1

Ordinance # 330 Trash -2

Ordinance # 410 Grass – 3

Ordinance # 412 Swimming Pool- 1

Mileage 13256



Town of Blades
Water & Maintenance Department

Month/Year: June 2015

Vehicle 1: 2008 GMC Sierra Monthly Total Fuel: \$232.23

Starting Mileage: 58,610 Ending Mileage: 59,484 Total Mileage: 874

Vehicle 2: 1995 Ford F250 Monthly Total Fuel: \$127.20

Starting Mileage: 77,039 Ending Mileage: 77,224 Total Mileage: 185

Vehicle 3: 1995 Chevy D/T Monthly Total Fuel: \$61.75

Starting Mileage: 22,059 Ending Mileage: 22,198 Total Mileage: 139

Maintenance 1: Gas Cans Monthly Total Fuel: 0
Maintenance 2: Backhoe Monthly Total Fuel: \$42.53 Total Hours: 334.58

Complaints: 1 Disconnects: 5 Reconnects: 3

After Hour Calls: 3 After Hour Response: 3

Town Water Leaks: 2 Other Water Leaks: 0

Water Pumped for Month:

Well #1:	<u>742,200</u> Gallons	Hours: <u>92.30</u>
Well #2:	<u>1,694,700</u> Gallons	Hours: <u>221.90</u>
Well #3:	<u>717,765</u> Gallons	Hours: <u>82.20</u>
Total:	<u>3,154,665</u> Gallons	Hours: <u>396.40</u>

Actual meter reading date: _____

Chemicals Ordered: Caustic Soda: 330 Gallons Chlorine: 150 Gallons

Corrosion Control: 0 Gallons Permanganate: 0 lbs.

Fluoride: 0 lbs.

Snow plowing: N/A Hours Salt spreading: N/A Hours

Comments: _____


Brandon Slater, DE Water Operator #10

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH
OFFICE OF DRINKING WATER PROGRAM
WATER WORKS REPORT

Supply Name Town of Blades

PWSID# 865

Month June

Year 2015

Date	Time	Sample Point	Fluoride lbs. or GPD	mg/l.	Chlorine lbs. or GPD	Res. - mg/L Treated Water	pH Treated Water	Turbidity Surface Water Only	Other	Remarks
1	9:40	plant	2034	0.83		0.94	6.5	0.10	Manj	NO
2	1:00	plant	2035	0.81		0.87	6.3	0.05		NO
3	1:50	plant	2035	0.85		0.87	6.3	0.07		NO
4	11:00	plant	2036	0.80		1.05	6.6	0.09		BS
5	1:50	plant	2036	1.10		1.02	6.4	0.08		BS
6	11:20	plant	2036	0.55		1.01	6.4	0.09		NO
7	11:45	plant	2037	0.87		0.99	6.3	0.07		NO
8	11:00	plant	2037	0.70		1.03	6.5	0.10		BS
9	1:05	plant	2037	0.77		1.03	6.3	0.05		BS
10	1:00	plant	2038	0.76		0.81	6.2	0.11		NO
11	11:25	plant	2038	0.82		1.30	6.4	0.12		NO
12	1:05	plant	2039	0.70		0.91	6.6	0.10		NO
13	1:10	plant	2039	0.86		0.98	6.5	0.09		NO
14	1:55	plant	2040	0.91		1.06	6.5	0.11		NO
15	1:50	plant	2040	0.78		0.82	6.5	0.02		NO
16	10:55	plant	2040	0.96		0.85	6.5	0.06		NO
17	9:40	plant	2040	0.96		0.87	6.6	0.05		BS
18	10:35	plant	2041	0.82		0.87	6.5	0.01		NO
19	10:00	plant	2041	0.80		0.94	6.5	0.07		BS
20	12:00	plant	2041	0.81		0.87	6.4	0.06		NO
21	12:00	plant	2042	0.78		0.97	6.3	0.05		NO
22	11:00	plant	2042	0.80		0.77	7.0	0.06		BS
23	9:15	plant	2043	0.65		0.97	6.4	0.02		NO
24	11:25	plant	2043	0.89		1.04	6.3	0.07		NO
25	10:20	plant	2043	0.84		0.99	6.3	0.02		NO
26	1:00	plant	2044	0.83		1.02	6.3	0.04		NO
27	11:20	plant	2044	0.81		0.91	6.4	0.05		NO
28	12:05	plant	2044	0.89		1.05	6.3	0.04		NO
29	1:00	plant	2045	0.80		1.20	6.8	0.06		BS
30	11:30	plant	2045	0.88		0.94	6.5	0.04		NO
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Division of Public Health
Office of Drinking Water
Blue Hen Corporate Center
655 Bay Road, Suite 203
Dover, DE 19901


Signature

Supervisor
Date

Town of Blades
Monthly Well Reading Report

Month of June Year 2015

Day	Well #1 GPM	Hours On	Well#2 GPM	Hours On	Well#3 GPM	Hours On	Backwash Check	Initials
1	2026916	602.0	2410441	528.4	2872499	358.2	✓	FD
2	2026916	619.2	2410441	528.4	2969203	362.5	✓	FD
3	2026916	617.2	2411201	538.1	2969203	362.5	✓	FD
4	2628131	617.2	2411419	541.0	3010349	374.1	✓	BS
5	2029363	62.4	2411419	541.0	3010666	374.1	✓	FD
6	2019394	630.8	2411419	541.0	3078769	381.8	✓	FD
7	2030432	645.8	2411419	541.0	3161093	384.4	✓	FD
8	2630432	645.8	2412604	556.6	3101093	384.4	✓	BS
9	2030432	645.8	2412668	557.5	312300	397.1	✓	FD
10	2631760	661.4	2412668	557.5	3220355	398.0	✓	FD
11	2031776	662.4	2413736	571.4	3220355	398.0	✓	FD
12	2031776	662.4	2413820	572.6	3352452	413.0	✓	FD
13	2032999	675.9	2413829	572.6	3360594	414.0	✓	FD
14	2033160	679.4	2414909	584.9	3360594	414.0	✓	FD
15	2033160	679.4	2415048	588.8	3482875	428.0	✓	FD
16	2033951	689.4	2415048	588.8	3486851	428.5	✓	FD
17	2634252	693.2	2415974	600.7	3486851	428.5	✓	BS
18	2034252	693.2	2416864	612.2	3486851	428.5	✓	FD
19	2634252	693.2	2417703	623.3	3486851	428.5	✓	BS
20	2034252	697.2	2418765	636.7	3486851	428.5	✓	FD
21	2034252	697.2	2419630	641.2	3486851	428.5	✓	FD
22	2634252	693.2	2420522	662.9	352478	432.8	✓	BS
23	2034252	693.2	2421611	674.4	3543425	435.0	✓	FD
24	2034268	693.4	2422703	688.8	3544794	435.2	✓	FD
25	2034337	694.3	2423490	699.1	3544794	435.2	✓	FD
26	2034337	694.3	2424426	711.4	3544794	435.2	✓	FD
27	2034337	694.3	2425050	719.5	3544794	435.2	✓	FD
28	2034337	694.3	2425632	727.2	3544794	435.2	✓	FD
29	2634337	694.3	2426440	738.0	3590185	440.4	✓	BS
30	2034338	694.3	2427388	750.3	3590244	440.4		
31								
Total	742,200	92.30	1694,200	221.90	717,765	82.20		

Total Gallons 3,154,665

Total Hours 396.40

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Monthly Effluent Flow Meter Report

Month of June

Year 2013

Day	Effluent Flow Meter	Initials
1	52905780	JS
2	52920050	JS
3	52928860	JS
4	52940674	BS
5	52952989	JS
6	52959701	JS
7	52971956	JS
8	52984552	BS
9	52995634	JS
10	53008760	JS
11	53020799	JS
12	53034852	JS
13	53046566	JS
14	53060244	JS
15	53073295	JS
16	53087215	JS
17	53099418	BS
18	53103375	JS
19	53112383	BS
20	53123353	JS
21	53133513	JS
22	53149286	BS
23	53159482	JS
24	53171458	JS
25	53180528	JS
26	53190520	JS
27	53197187	JS
28	53205408	JS
29	53216309	BS
30	53227163	JS
31		
Total	3213830	

Total Gallons 3213830

Mayors monthly report June 2015.

13 July 2015
Town of Blades

To: The Town Council:

Events and Meetings I attended from 8 June 2015, until 13 July 2015.

1. Town Council Meeting at Harden Hall, 8 June 2015, 7:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.
2. Town Office- 10 June 2015 "Shift Destiny": Drug rehab assistance, John Rittenhouse 1:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.
3. Town revival at the park. Anna Buckner 1:00 P.M. until 6:30 P.M.
4. Flag Day, Boy Scouts retirement of the flags. 14 June 2015, 5:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. at the town park. Rained out.
5. Flag Day, Boy Scouts retirement of the flags was rescheduled 19 June 2015, 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. at the town park.
6. Town office meeting with Rob Arlet about water expansion project along Concord Road, 24 June 2015 3:15 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. received advice as a real estate agent with knowledge of such dealings.
7. Dover, Legislative Hall Budget rap-up. 30 June 2015. 7:00 P.M. until 2:35 A.M. Attended house side while Vikki attended the Senate side for the state passage of the 2016 budget.
8. Laurel, Delaware 4th of July 2015 event. 5:00 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Mayor's challenge.
9. Riverfest Seaford, Delaware, 10th & 11th of July 2015. Attended Riverfest events including Mayor's challenge 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. on 11 July 2015.

Mayor:

Robert W. Atkinson



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TOWN OF BLADES
RESOLUTION 2015.07.13 R04
PROPOSED ANNEXATION DECISION TO MOVE FORWARD BASED ON THE
FINDINGS OF THE ANNEXATION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Blades Town Charter Section 3b states the Town Council, by resolution, must propose said plans for annexation to the property owners and residents of both the town and the territory proposed to be annexed by a three-fifths vote in the affirmative of this resolution for a Public Hearing;

WHEREAS, the Blades Town Council based on the findings of the Annexation Committee, wishes to move forward with the annexation process;

WHEREAS, the Blades Town Council instructs the Town Administrator to schedule the Public Hearing on **Wednesday, August 5th, 2015 at 7PM at Hardin Hall, 18 W Fourth Street, Blades, DE 19973** to hear public comments regarding the annexation of the below proposed parcels;

1. Two Farms, Inc., 132-1.00-21.00 (Royal Farms)
Concord Road, Seaford, DE 19973 (County)
Legal Description: W/RT 13 SE/CONCORD RD
Zone Proposed: General Business
2. Marie Bennett, 132-1.12-6.00
8597 Concord Road, Seaford, DE 19973 (County)
Legal Description: CONCORD RD
Zone Proposed: Residential
3. Ralph & Violet Moore, 132-1.12-22
8542 Concord Road, Seaford, DE 19973 (County)
Legal Description: HWY BLADES-CONCORD
Zone Proposed: Residential
4. Ronald Waller, 132-1.12-10.00
8773 Concord Road, Seaford, DE 19973 (County)
Legal Description: NW/RT 20 LOT 1 SE/NANTICOKE RIVER
Zone Proposed: Residential
5. Ronald Waller, 132-1.12-10.01
8767 Concord Road, Seaford, DE 19973 (County)
Legal Description: NW/RT 20 LOT 2 SE/NANTICOKE RIVER
Zone Proposed: Residential



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WHEREAS, the purpose of the public hearing is to receive input from the citizens of the Town regarding a request from the above property owners to annex their parcels into town limits. All interested parties are welcome to attend the hearing and make oral comments or submit written comments in advance of the hearing to be placed on the record;

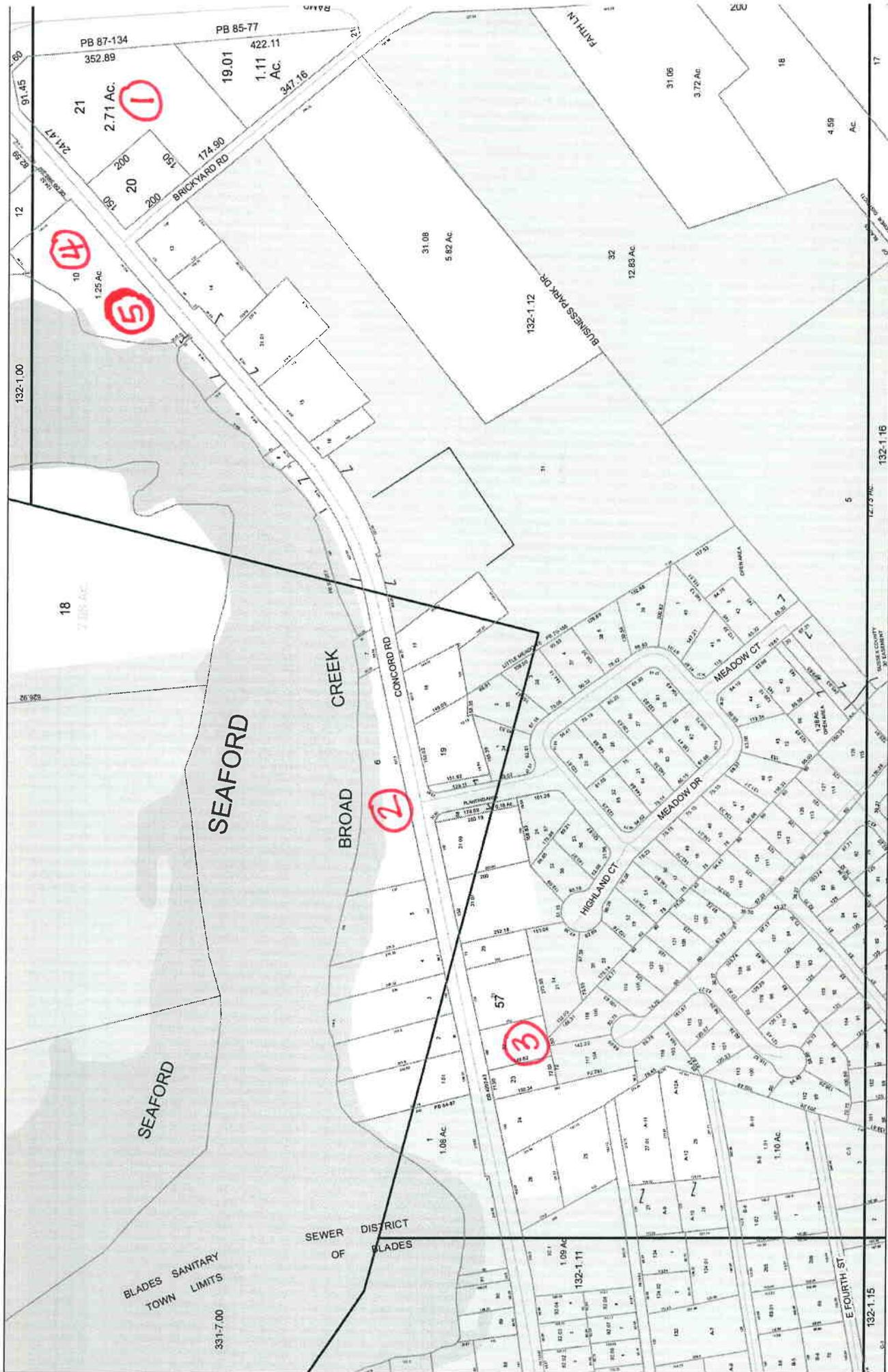
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 13th day of July, 2015 the Town of Blades Town Council has approved moving forward with the annexation request for the listed parcels by a three-fifths vote in the affirmative and for the public hearing to be scheduled as stated;

Town Council Members Voting:
Russell Joseph
John Reiss
Lee Benningfield
BJ Hardin
David Ruff

Mayor Robert Atkinson

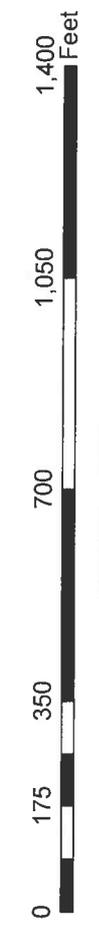
Attest: Vikki Prettyman, Town Administrator





Sussex County Delaware

132-1.12



- Legend**
-  Map Line
 -  Municipal Bounds

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Planning & Zoning Commission Appointments

Secretary, William Messenger, term to expire July 2020

Chairman, John Reiss, term to expire July 2016

Commissioner, Donald Hastings, term to expire July 2017

Commissioner, Rob Hutton, term to expire July 2018

Commissioner, Michael J Smith, term to expire July 2019

So recommended by Mayor Robert Atkinson on Monday, July 13th, 2015, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Council.

Mayor Robert Atkinson

7-13-2015

Date

Town Administrator, Vikki Prettyman

July 13th, 2015

Date



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**TOWN OF BLADES
RESOLUTION #2015.07.13 R05
A RESOLUTION PLEDGING THE TOWN OF BLADES TOWN COUNCIL'S
SUPPORT OF THE MAYORS CHALLENGE TO END
VETERAN HOMELESSNESS IN 2015**

WHEREAS, the Mayors Challenge to End Veteran Homelessness in 2015 is a joint initiative of Joining Forces, the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, a call to action was made to elected officials in cities, counties and states across America urging them to join together in making a commitment to end veteran homelessness in their communities in 2015; and

WHEREAS, homelessness in America is a societal concern that touches all walks of life, including veterans who served their county faithfully and honorably; and

WHEREAS, the truest measure of society is in how it treats the least among it, and those suffering from homelessness deserve neither pity nor to be forgotten; instead, those who are vulnerable, especially homeless veterans, deserve our utmost appreciation, respect and, most of all, support;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 13th day of JULY, 2015 the Town of Blades Town Council does hereby join with other local governments across the nation in accepting the Mayors Challenge to End Veteran Homelessness in 2015.

Town Council Members Voting:

Russell Joseph
John Reiss
Lee Benningfield
BJ Hardin
David Ruff

Mayor Robert Atkinson



Attest: Vikki Prettyman, Town Administrator

