

Town of Blades
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Town Council Meeting BVFC, East Fifth Street, Blades, DE 7:00PM May 10, 2021

Present: Mayor Robert Atkinson, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith, Councilwoman Ashley Hudson, Councilman Donald Trice, Councilwoman Bobbi Jo Tice, Councilman Russell Joseph, Public Works Supervisor Frank O'Day, Town Administrator Lisa Marks and Town Clerk Karen Raines.

Mayor Robert Atkinson officially opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the May 10, 2021, Town Council Meeting: Motion to accept in written form by Councilman Donald Trice; Seconded by Councilman Russell Joseph. Motion passed, Councilwoman Ashley Hudson – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilwoman Bobbi Jo Tice – Yes, Councilman Russell Joseph – Yes, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith – Yes. Carried.

Police Report – Submitted by Chief Paul Anthony. Read by Councilman Donald Trice.

BEDCO – No report at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – Submitted by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith.

Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code Report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Marcus Trammell.
- Water report Report submitted by Water Supervisor, Frank O'Day.
- Streets Report submitted by Councilman Russell Joseph.
- Parks & Cemeteries Report submitted by Councilwoman Bobbi Jo Tice.
- Mayor's Report Report submitted by Mayor Robert Atkinson.
- Town Administrator Report Submitted by Town Administrator Lisa Marks.

❖ New Business:

- First Reading Resolution Change Building Permit Rates and Penalties read by Karen Raines.
- First Reading Resolution Change Cemetery Bi-Law Rates and Penalties read by Councilwoman Bobbi Jo Tice.
- The Police Department is requesting hiring Jim Woznicki as a part-time training officer. Tabled to Executive Session.



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❖ Old Business:

• Police Chief Contract discussion: Tabled to Executive Session.

❖ Good of the Community

Citizen had concerns about overdue property tax bills and water bills. The Town has moved forward mailing past due notices to all owners who have a past due balance for property taxes and/or water. There has been a positive response to the letters with many owners paying account balances in full or making arrangements to do so.

Entered into Executive Session at 7:45 pm. Returned from Executive Session at 8:35 pm.

Councilman Donald Trice motioned to adjourn the May 10, 2021, Blades Town Council Meeting, Seconded by Councilwoman Ashley Hudson.

Mayor Robert Atkinson adjourned the Blades Town Council Meeting at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Raines Town Clerk