



Town of Blades
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***Town Council Meeting
BVFC, East Fifth Street, Blades, DE
7:00PM
July 10, 2023***

Present: Mayor Robert Atkinson, Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr., Councilman William Stang, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams, Councilman Donald Trice, Councilman Garold Miller, Police Chief Martin Willey, Police Administrative Assistant Loretta Lynch, Administrative Assistant Crystal Gregor and Town Administrator Lisa Marks.

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

Opening Prayer by Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from the June 12, 2023, Town Council Meeting: Motion to accept in written form by Councilman Donald Trice; Seconded by Councilwoman Nancy McAdams. Motion passed, Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr., – Yes, Councilman William Stang – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Garold Miller – Yes. Carried

Police Report – Submitted and read by Police Administrative Assistant Loretta Lynch.

BEDCO – No report at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – Submitted by Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr. - Hardin Hall's site plan was not available, tabled until next month. New construction on the agenda was approved. Four-unit apartments rejected as presented, resubmit after adjustments are made. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

❖ Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code – Report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Marcus Trammell and read by Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr.
- Water report - Reports submitted by Public Works Supervisor Frank O'Day and read by Councilman William Stang.
- Streets – Report submitted and read by Councilman Garold Miller.
- Parks & Cemeteries – Report submitted and read by Councilwoman Nancy McAdams.
- Police – Report submitted and read by Councilman Donald Trice.
- Mayor's Report – Report submitted and read by Mayor Robert Atkinson.



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- Town Administrator Report – Report submitted and read by Town Administrator Lisa Marks.

❖ New Business:

- Resolution 2023.07.10 – To Support the Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails Grant Application: Motion to approve Resolution made by Councilman Donald Trice; Seconded by Councilman William Stang. Motion passed, Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr., – Yes, Councilman William Stang – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdam – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Garold Miller – Yes. Carried
- Approval to submit Comp Plan Draft to PLUS for review and suggestions: Motion to approve Comp Plan Draft for submission to PLUS made by Councilman Garold Miller; Seconded by Vice-Mayor Pierre Gaither, Sr. Motion passed, Councilman William Stang – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Garold Miller – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes. Carried

❖ Old Business:

- Second Reading Ordinance 437 - Cross Connection Control Ordinance – Read by Councilman William Stang

❖ Good of the Community

Citizen inquired about water readings, age of the “wand” and if it had recently been calibrated. (The “wand” does not require calibration)

Citizen inquired about the condition of some sidewalks, additional street signs and speed bumps need to be painted.

Citizen expressed concern over a storm drain at Sixth and Cannon Street.

Entered into Executive Session: 9:15pm

Exited Executive Session: 10:40pm

Mayor Robert Atkinson adjourned the Blades Town Council Meeting at 10:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Marks
Town Administrator