

The Bloomsburg Town Council held a Council meeting on Monday, January 27, 2025 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall and via teleconference. The public joined by dialing: +1 646 558 8685 U.S. and included the meeting ID: 456-920-3798. The public could also join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

Mayor Justin Hummel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., present were Council members James Garman, Jaclyn Kressler, Nick McGaw, Jessica Jordan and Maria Valentin. Town Manager/ Secretary/ Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Chief of Police Scott Price, Public Works Director John Fritz, Director of Code Enforcement Mike Reffeor, Director of Finance Jack Breech, Director of Governmental Services Charles Fritz, BJ Teichman. Also attending were MJ Mahon, Terry VanDyke, Brian Trombly, Joseph Martin, three other public citizens and Mark Gardner. Attending via Zoom were Administrative Assistant Christine Meeker, Betsy Rubio, Josh Flook, David Hill, Helena Griffith, and a public phone number on Zoom. Absent was council member Bonnie Crawford.

APPROVAL OF THE 12/10/2024 MINUTES REGARDING THE CAPER HEARING.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 12/10/2024 meeting minutes regarding the CAPER hearing.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 6, 2025 MEETING.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the January 6, 2025 meeting minutes with no corrections or additions.

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS/ ENACTMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG:

CHAPTER 24, PART 1 ENTITLED "AMUSEMENT TAX".

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the amendment of Chapter 24, Part 1, entitled "Amusement Tax".

CHAPTER 15-306 ENTITLED "UNLAWFUL TO PARK AT FIRE HYDRANT".

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by M. Valentin, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the amendment of Chapter 15, Part 306, entitled "Unlawful to Park at Fire Hydrant".

CHAPTER 15-606 ENTITLED "ASSIGNED HANDICAPPED PARKING AREA".

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the amendment of Chapter 15, Part 606 entitled "Assigned Handicapped Parking Area".

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER LIST OF BILLS.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund \$117,949.32, Recycling Fund \$40,736.14, Street Lighting Fund \$3,353.79, Fire Fund \$16,317.87, Pool Fund \$871.84, Liquid Fuels Fund \$4,463.26, CDBG-DR/FMA \$45,900.00, Home \$45,911.00 and the December Payroll Authorization \$239,788.66.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTING JARED HARRIS TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD TO FILL ONE OF THE TWO VACANT ALTERNATE SPOTS WITH A TERM ENDING 12/31/2025.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved appointing Jared Harris to the Zoning Hearing board to fill one of the two vacant alternate spots with a term ending 12/31/2025.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE TAX COLLECTORS 2024 REPORT THAT WAS PROVIDED TO THE TOWN ON 1/13/2025.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to accept the tax collectors 2024 report that was provided to the Town on 1/13/2025.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BBP SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

A motion to approve the master services agreement with BBP Solutions, LLC was made by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 0-6, Council did not approve the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION TO SIGN THE MUSIC LICENSE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH BMI.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved signing the music license for local government through BMI.

RECOMMENDATION OF SELLING A BROTHER FAX MACHINE ON MUNICIBID FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved selling on Municibid a Brother fax machine from the Public Works Department.

APPROVAL OF A QUOTE FROM DENT PLUMBING & HEATING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,264 FOR TWO STAINLESS STEEL VANDAL PROOF URINALS. NOTE: THE TOWN PARK IMPROVEMENT HAS PLEDGED \$4,632 OF FUNDS TO AMOUNT TO 50% OF THE TOTAL INVOICE.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a quote from Dent Plumbing & Heating, Inc, in the amount of \$9,264 for two stainless steel vandal proof urinals for the Town Park. Note: the Town Park Improvement Association has pledged \$4,632 to cover 50% of the total invoice.

APPROVAL OF SENDING A SUPPORT LETTER TO THE BLOOMSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE SOLAR FOR SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM (\$4S).

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved sending a letter of support to the Bloomsburg School District for the Solar for School Grant program (\$4S).

REVIEW/ AWARD OF JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG WHICH WOULD BE EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2025.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted unanimously, Council approved Magic Touch Cleaning for janitorial services for the Town in the amount of \$1,787 with a cap of up to an additional \$400 a month for supplies.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH H.A. BERKHEIMER, INC. FOR RECYCLING BILLING SERVICES.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the agreement with H. A. Berkheimer, Inc. for recycling billing services.

APPROVAL OF AN ESTIMATE FROM RECYCLING EQUIPMENT CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,104.30.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by M. Valentin, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an estimate from Recycling Equipment Corporation in the amount of \$5,104.30.

APPROVAL OF A JOHN DEERE 60 INCH ROTARY BROOM FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,528.86.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the purchase of a John Deere 60-inch rotary broom for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$4,528.86.

DISCUSSION OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY HOUSING GRANT FUNDS. ANY VOTE FROM COUNCIL TO OPEN THIS UP TO OTHER PARTS IN BLOOMSBURG. NOTE: COLUMBIA COUNTY HOUSING HAS YET TO RECEIVE FINAL APPROVAL THROUGH FEMA ON APPLYING THESE FUNDS TO BLOOMSBURG.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by M. Valentin, and voted on 5 to 1 (McGaw voting no), Council approved opening the Columbia County Housing grant program to other parts of the Town.

APPROVAL OF THE 4TH QUARTER 2024 ADMINISTRATIVE & DELIVERY INVOICE FROM SEDA-COG IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,992.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 2024 4th quarter Administrative and Delivery invoice from SEDA-COG in the amount of \$20,992.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer