

The Finksburg News: December 2022 - There is a lot going on in Finksburg!

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## [Finksburg Planning and Citizens' Council Inc.](#)

### ► **Membership Dues:**

A reminder that it's time to pay **2023** membership dues. To join or renew with our group, it only costs \$10 per family and \$25 for businesses. We accept [online payments](#) and checks. Please use the [membership page](#). Dues are optional, but appreciated. Thanks for your help and support.

### ► **Bridges on Route 91 To Be Replaced (RT 91 Closure in early 2023), Project meeting at the Finksburg Library 2/9/2023 from 5-7 PM:**

Meeting Information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/556183746359007>

More information is available here: [TC220405pres\\_MD-91-Bridge-TIP-Amend.pdf](https://www.baltometro.org/sites/default/files/bmc_documents/committee/presentations/tc/TC220405pres_MD-91-Bridge-TIP-Amend.pdf) [https://www.baltometro.org/sites/default/files/bmc\\_documents/committee/presentations/tc/TC220405pres\\_MD-91-Bridge-TIP-Amend.pdf](https://www.baltometro.org/sites/default/files/bmc_documents/committee/presentations/tc/TC220405pres_MD-91-Bridge-TIP-Amend.pdf) and <https://mdot-sha-md91-brg-over-nb-patapsco-and-rr-cl1725180-maryland.hub.arcgis.com/>

### ► **BGE Has a Big Project to Enhance Power Transmission Lines From Finksburg and Westminster:**

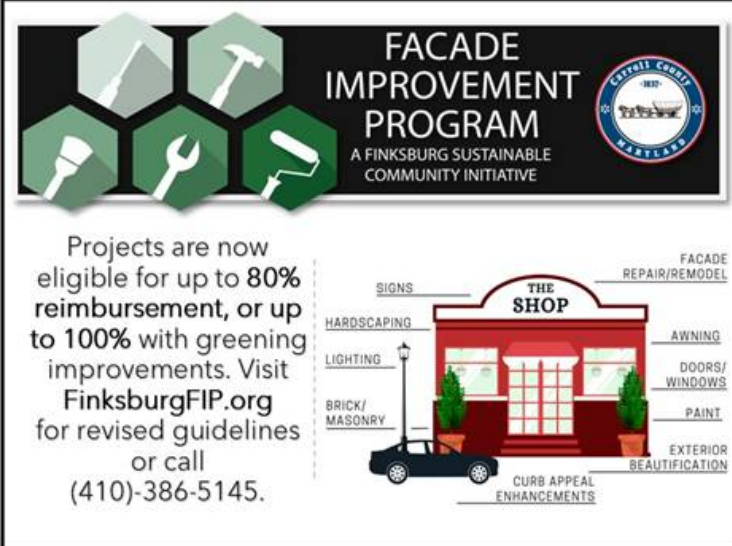
They have information on their web site at: <https://www.bge-tsrep.com/projects/finksburg-westminster>

### ► **Finksburg Autonomous Vehicle Company Merges With Iowa Firm To Build Self-Driving Tractors:**

[Mach](#) is a new company formed from LSA Autonomy and Redshield Electronics, which will offer new opportunities for a range of off-highway firms.

### ► **PRESS RELEASE: For Immediate Release - Program improvements have been made December 2022, Improve your property for less cost!**

#### **Carroll County is Accepting Applications for the Finksburg Facade Improvement Program:**



The graphic is a rectangular advertisement for the Facade Improvement Program. At the top left, there are four green hexagons containing icons of a hammer, a wrench, a paintbrush, and a power drill. To the right of these icons, the text reads "FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM" in large, bold, white letters, with "A FINKSBURG SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY INITIATIVE" in smaller white text below it. On the far right is the Carroll County Maryland seal. Below the main text, there is a central illustration of a red building labeled "THE SHOP" with a car parked in front. Surrounding the building are various improvement categories: "SIGNAGE" (top left), "HARDSCAPING" (left), "LIGHTING" (left), "BRICK/MASONRY" (left), "CURB APPEAL ENHANCEMENTS" (bottom), "FACADE REPAIR/REMODEL" (top right), "AWNING" (right), "DOORS/WINDOWS" (right), "PAINT" (right), and "EXTERIOR BEAUTIFICATION" (right). To the left of the building, there is a text box with the following content: "Projects are now eligible for up to 80% reimbursement, or up to 100% with greening improvements. Visit [FinksburgFIP.org](http://FinksburgFIP.org) for revised guidelines or call (410)-386-5145."

The Carroll County Department of Planning, in conjunction with the Finksburg Planning and Citizens' Council, was awarded \$50,000 from the State of Maryland for a Facade Improvement Program. FIP offers matching grant funds to eligible property and business owners in the Finksburg Sustainable Community to improve the appearance of building facades and signs.

Goals of the program are to:

- »Encourage renovation of building facades and signs
- »Improve the appearance of the Finksburg Corridor
- »Leverage private improvements by making revitalization efforts affordable and

community based

»Preserve and enhance economic vitality of commercial services

FIP offers an incentive dollar amount of up to 80% of the total cost of building facade and sign improvements.

For more information about the program, including application deadlines, eligible applicants and improvements, and how to apply, visit [www.FinksburgFIP.org](http://www.FinksburgFIP.org) or contact the Carroll County Department of Planning at (410) 386-5145.

▶ *Further information can be found on our website, <http://www.finksburg.org>.*

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