

Town of Poolesville

Planning Commission

2/18/2026 - Minutes

1. **Call To Order**

Chair Huber called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. All Commissioners attended, as well as Town Engineer Strong, Assistant Town Manager Andregg, and Town Attorney Kevin Best. Town Attorney Best gave an overview of his background and experience as a municipal attorney and expressed appreciation for being appointed the new Town Attorney.

2. **Citizen's Comments On Agenda Items:**

None

3. **Announcements**

Commissioner Bupp gave an overview of recent work by the town commissioners, including an ordinance establishing a code of conduct for appointed officials, as well as the budget grant applications that the Commissioners have been reviewing. Assistant Town Manager Andregg told the Planning Commission that staff had received a couple of variances for houses in the Ferry Crossing Development

4. **Approval Of Minutes**

The Planning Commission reviewed the January 14th meeting minutes. Commissioner Radigan made a motion to approve the January 14th meeting minutes. Commissioner Bupp seconded the motion, and the motion carried 4 -0 1 (Moroney Abstained)

5. **New Business**

5.1. **Presentation On The Maryland Renewable Energy Certainty Act**

Assistant Town Manager Andregg and Town Attorney Best gave an overview of the Maryland Renewable Energy Certainty Act and its impact on the Town of Poolesville. This presentation covered the Law's requirements for the Public Services Commission and the Town of Poolesville. Resident Joyce Breiner, Executive Director of Poolesville Green, provided further information about the state law and encouraged the Planning Commission to think long-term about solar energy. Staff answered questions about the presentation. The Planning Commission asked staff to bring back a draft ordinance at the next planning commission meeting.

6. **Old Business**

6.1. **Cultural Arts District Discussion On Draft Ordinance And Design Guidelines**

Assistant Town Manager Andregg gave an overview of the changes to the Cultural Arts District ordinance and design guidelines since the last meeting. Staff answered questions from the Planning Commission, clarifying certain aspects of the ordinance. Commissioner Bupp moved that the Planning Commission recommend to the Town Commissioners the adoption of the Ordinance to create the cultural arts district. Commissioner Radigan seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

## 7. Adjournment

Commissioner Radigan moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bupp seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.