

**MINUTES  
COMMISSIONERS OF POOLESVILLE  
September 20, 2021**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Cook called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m. All commissioners were in attendance. Town Manager Tony Tomasello and Town Engineer John Strong were also in attendance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Eck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMISSIONER/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

President Cook reported that Poolesville Day was successful. The Community Scarecrow Contest will take place in October. The status of the Holiday Lighting Ceremony will be discussed at the next Commissioners meeting.

Commissioner Radigan reported last week's Planning Commission meeting was cancelled. He is working with the consulting company to get them up to speed on the Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Reed reported that the Sustainable Poolesville Committee will meet on September 29, 2021. He congratulates the Fair Access Committee on the success of the Poolesville Day Breakfast.

Commissioner Eck reported that the Parks Board discussed the Westerly Grove Tot Lot, Rules & Regs for the Farmers Market, the Dog Park incident, Dr. Walling ADA compliance, Pickleball requests and input for Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Brown reported that the Fair Access Committee's Poolesville Day Breakfast was a success. He received word that additional funding will be pushed to Poolesville High School through the postponement of another school's project. He gave an update on the County redistricting.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - MINUTES**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. American Rescue Fund

Mr. Tomasello presented a memo with an update on funds received and requested support on spending the funds on 1. Inflow & Infiltration; 2. Water line replacements; 3. Security for the well and wastewater treatment plant(s). Commissioner Eck made a motion to approve the concept of the memo dated September 15, 2021 subject to actual proposals, Commissioner Reed seconded and passed 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Brightwell Crossing Bond Releases and Reductions

Tom Kettler is requesting bond reductions for the following items: The Paving Bond (4819) for base paving on Medley Way, The Public Improvements Bond (4771), and the Water & Sewer Bond. Mr. Strong recommends the reductions. Commissioner Eck made a motion to approve Bond 4819, seconded by Commissioner Radigan and passed 5-0. Commissioner Eck made a motion to

approve Bond 4771, seconded by Commissioner Reed and passed 5-0. Commissioner Eck made a motion to approve Bond 4735, seconded by Commissioner Radigan, passed 5-0.

## 2. Skatepark Expansion

Gabriel Hermann gave a presentation on expanding the skatepark. Mr. Tomasello and Mr. Strong discussed grant options. The Commissioners were receptive to the idea but it would need to go back to the Parks Board for more in depth consideration.

## 3. Proposal for Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board

Commissioner Cook gave a presentation on establishing a Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board. Commissioner Radigan made a motion to create a Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board, Commissioner Eck seconded, passed 5-0.

## 4. Proposal for Youth Council

Commissioner Cook gave a presentation on establishing a Youth Advisory Council. Commissioner Reed made a motion to create the Youth Advisory Council, seconded by Commissioner Radigan, passed 5-0.

## **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

**Agricultural Community:** I met with representatives from the agricultural community regarding transportation issues.

**Request for Storage at Thrift Shop:** Three separate groups have requested storage so looking for guidance on how Commissioners want to use the facility.

**Water/Sewer Request:** A church on the outskirts of town gets its water from the Town through a Legacy Agreement. The Church is now requesting that the sewer line be extended, which would be costly.

**Halmos Park Bathroom:** PAA Flag Football has a permit for use of Halmos Park on Sundays and is unhappy with the condition of the bathrooms. Talked to Staff about being more vigilant and making sure the restrooms are fully stocked. This organization also asked to use storage space at Halmos Park and I have no problem with that.

**Staff Issues:** Would like to discuss HR Consultant and staff issues in the near future.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Reed made a motion to adjourn at 9:31 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Radigan and carried 5-0.

A full video of the meeting can be viewed at [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com), search Poolesville, Commissioners meeting.