



# TOWN OF BOONSBORO

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## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Mayor Long and Town Council Members

**From:** Megan Clark, Town Manager

**Date:** February 23, 2017

**Subject:** County Commission Meeting – March 14th

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The County Commissioners are hosting their meeting in Boonsboro on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The Town typically provides a letter to the Commissioners in advance of the meeting detailing topics the Town would like to discuss.

Attached please find the letter we sent to the Commissioners in July for discussion purposes at the workshop.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

*Megan*

# BOONSBORO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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HOWARD W. LONG  
MAYOR

July 20, 2016

Board of County Commissioners  
Washington County Administration Building  
100 West Washington Street  
Hagerstown, Maryland 21740

RE: Upcoming Commissioner Meeting In Boonsboro

Dear President Baker and Fellow Commissioners:

On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Boonsboro, we look forward to meeting with you on July 26<sup>th</sup> during the County Commission meeting held in the Town of Boonsboro.

We respectfully request your consideration of the below items for discussion during the meeting:

- County Inmate Program – Beginning May of this year, the County Inmate Work Detail program availability was reduced from 2 times a week to once a month. The Town of Boonsboro used the inmates from the Washington County detention center for grounds and facilities maintenance. Since the reduction in May, the Town of Boonsboro has hired a part time employee and a contractor to perform most of the tasks the inmates previously completed. Estimated expenses the Town incurs because of the reduction is \$2500 a month, whereas previously the Town paid approximately \$200 to \$300 for inmate and guard services monthly. We would greatly appreciate consideration of re-implementing the twice weekly inmate program.
- Schools – Boonsboro is home to three highly ranked schools and has received many accolades for its success. We are very proud of Washington County's success in leading education, however, the facilities are aging, overpopulated, and not adequately equipped for newer technology. We respectfully request building maintenance is given high priority to Boonsboro schools in order for the students to continue to thrive in a safe and comfortable environment.
- Transportation – Washington County's Transit Development Plan of 2010 included recommendations to establish County Commuter service in the Town of Boonsboro. Since funding has not supported this expansion in years' past, the Town has established a Transportation Task Force to begin an intra-transit service for the aging Boonsboro residents. While the Task Force is still researching variable options for this service, we request support of the intra-transit service and hope in the future the County would consider expansion of the County Commuter Bus service.
- Growth – The Town of Boonsboro continues to be the second largest municipality within Washington County and is continuing to grow. We appreciate your continued support of economic development within the Town and request high priority is given to road improvements; public safety; and school capacity in order to ensure adequate infrastructure is in place to serve the growing Boonsboro community.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and we look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Howard W. Long  
Mayor