

Town of Boonsboro



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Ken Ebmeier

Council Member Candidate



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I'm proud to call Boonsboro home - and even prouder to have played a role in helping shape its future. Through my work with the Boonsboro Main Street program, the Boonsboro Economic Development Commission, and the Boonsboro Town Alliance, I've been directly involved in strengthening our local economy, supporting small businesses, and preserving the historic charm that defines our town.

My family moved to Pleasant Valley along Route 67 in 1996, where we built four homes on 48 acres. After retiring, I moved to Main Street into a stone home built in 1810, right in the heart of our community. I've lived and worked in this area for nearly 30 years, and I consider myself not an outsider—but a neighbor.

My experience with the Maryland Main Street program has given me hands-on knowledge in community-driven economic development. I've worked to attract investment, build partnerships with businesses and financial institutions, and bring new energy and opportunity to our downtown—while protecting the history and character that make Boonsboro special.

Earlier in my career, I helped launch the Maryland Main Street program in Brunswick, serving until 2008 as Vice Chairman. During that time, the Brunswick Crossing development began—ultimately doubling that town's population. Boonsboro is now on a similar path, with significant growth expected in the coming years. That experience gives me a practical understanding of what's ahead—and how to manage it the right way.

Growth is coming whether we like it or not. The question is: will we shape it, or will it shape us? I believe our residents should have a voice in how our town evolves—from architecture and streetscapes to green space, trails, and community gathering areas. We should be working with developers early, not reacting after decisions are already made.

I've worked closely with local leaders, business owners, and residents to turn ideas into action. I understand how to build partnerships, align goals, and deliver results. This kind of collaboration also opens the door to additional grant funding and resources beyond what the town already receives.

If elected, my focus will be on:

- Supporting small businesses and expanding economic opportunities
- Strengthening Main Street as the heart of our community
- Promoting responsible, well-planned growth
- Improving transparency and communication
- Building partnerships that bring new investment and resources

Boonsboro's future is full of opportunity, but it requires thoughtful leadership that understands both our history and our direction. I'm ready to contribute from day one.

I'm committed to listening, working hard, and helping ensure Boonsboro continues to thrive for generations to come. I welcome your questions and conversation—and I encourage everyone to stay engaged and participate in our town's future.