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## **SWEARING-IN OF 54<sup>TH</sup> TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. June 28, 2016** — Five members of the Town of Purcellville's 54<sup>th</sup> Town Council were sworn-in Monday, June 27, 2016 at Town Hall. The ceremony began with the Purcellville Boy Scout Troop #163 Honor Guard presenting the colors and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Former Town Council member Beverly MacDonald-Chiasson (1992-2004) delivered the welcome address. The Honorable Kimberly Walker, Senior Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court, presided over the official swearing-in ceremony for the Council members whose terms will begin on July 1, 2016, along with Council member Kelli Grim who took office in May. The oath of office was administered to:

- Mayor Kwasi A. Fraser (term expires June 30, 2018)
- Town Council member Kelli Grim (term expires June 30, 2018)
- Town Council member Chris Bledsoe (term expires June 30, 2020)
- Town Council member Ryan J. Cool (term expires June 30, 2020)
- Town Council member Nedim Ogelman (term expires June 30, 2020)

Pastor Jeff Blizzard from Grace Road Bible Church provided the opening and closing prayers, offering support for the Council Members and community.



(Members of the 2016-2018 Council Pictured L-R: Doug McCollum, Kelli Grim, Chris Bledsoe, Kwasi Fraser, Ryan Cool, Nedim Ogelman, Karen Jimmerson; Photo credit: Mike Beaty)

**The Town of Purcellville, Virginia**

Purcellville is an award-winning town of nearly 8,500 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. It has been honored for its green initiatives, most recently with the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities. The Town has an elected Mayor and six Town Council members. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at [www.purcellvilleva.gov](http://www.purcellvilleva.gov).

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