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TOWN HIRES NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

PURCELLVILLE, Va. September 24, 2018 — The Town of Purcellville is pleased to announce Amos “Buster” Nicholson as the Town’s new Director of Public Works. Mr. Nicholson comes to us from Round Hill where, as Town Administrator, he handled multi-million dollar projects and gained a vast amount of management and budget experience. David A. Mekarski, Town Manager noted, “Buster brings to our largest Town department proven experience in budgetary revenue enhancement that will expand every public dollar spent with “out of the box” entrepreneurial thinking, complementing our already excellent team with the leadership to be even greater!”

Mr. Nicholson was selected based on interviews and panel evaluations. The panel consisted of representatives from each of the Town’s Public Works Divisions. There was also an opportunity for all department staff to meet and attend a Q&A session with Mr. Nicholson.

Mayor Kwasi Fraser stated, “Our Public Works Department is the largest and one of the most mission critical departments in our Town with 28 employees and accounts for over 61 percent of the Town’s total budget. With Mr. Nicholson’s stellar accomplishments as an innovative and fiscally responsible former Town Manager and Director of Public Works, I am confident that under his leadership the management and service quality of our public infrastructure including streets, and water and sewer systems will be in good hands. On behalf of the Town Council, I welcome Mr. Nicholson as our new Director of Public Works and look forward to supporting his initiatives to deliver service excellence to our community.”

Mr. Mekarski remarked, “Buster Nicholson was an exceptional hire for our community and I am confident in my decision that we selected the best candidate to ensure proper management of our critical public infrastructure, sustainability of our water resources and judicious fiscal management of our bottom line.”

Buster Nicholson stated, “I am grateful to the Town of Purcellville for affording me the opportunity to serve as the Director of Public Works. Having met the staff during my interview, I was impressed by their professionalism and genuine care for serving the residents of Purcellville. I am very excited about joining the team, and I am looking forward to working with them in continuing to make Purcellville a great place to live.” Nicholson’s first day with the Town will be October 22, 2018.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. 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.

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