



City of Rochester, New Hampshire
CITY COUNCIL – APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE
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Appointments Committee Minutes
February 19, 2019

Committee Members Present:

Sandra Keans, Chair
James Gray, Vice-Chair
Robert Gates
Donna Bogan
Tom Abbott

Committee Members Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Lauren Staples - Conservation Commission (6:00 PM)

Ms. Staples did not show up for her interview.

Barbara Soley - Conservation Commission (6:15 PM)

Ms. Soley is ready to begin her second term on the Conservation Commission. She shared how much she enjoys serving on the Commission and how the Commission is attentive to its mission. She did not indicate any specific cases; however, she is not sure that the Planning Board understands the same long-term concerns which may develop.

Councilor Gray **MOVED** to recommend Ms. Soley. Councilor Abbott **seconded** the recommendation. The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Ms. Soley be reappointed as a member of the Conservation Commission, with a term to expire 1/2/2022.

Mark E. Jennings - Conservation Commission (6:25 PM)

Mr. Jennings has served three terms on the Conservation Commission. He shared that the Commission is working well and visiting potential sites on a regular basis. He said the communication between the Commission and the Planning Board has improved a little over this past year. He said site visits give a different perception than just looking at plans (maps). He is anxious to continue serving on the Commission.

Councilor Gray **MOVED** to recommend Mr. Brown; Councilor Keans seconded the recommendation. The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Mr. Jennings to be reappointed as a Member of the Conservation Commission, with a term to on 1/2/2022.

Robert May - Planning Board (6:35 PM)

Mr. May shared that he enjoys serving on the Planning Board. He is currently the Vice Chair of the Board. He has noticed an increase in the demand for more sidewalks throughout the City. He expressed interest

in a study to find a new approach to residential development that gives more responsibility relative to the neighborhood.

Councilor Gray **MOVED** to recommend Mr. May; Councilor Bogan seconded the recommendation. The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Mr. May to be reappointed as a Member of the Planning Board, with a term to on 1/2/2022.

Timothy Fontneau - Planning Board (6:45 PM)

Mr. Fontneau has been a Planning Board member for many years. He has a varied background which brings many different ideas for the Planning Board to consider during deliberations on proposed projects. Mr. Fontneau is serving a two-year term as a State Representative, which is helpful to gather information about the direction the State is taking on some matters. He feels his varied back ground brings a tremendous value to the Planning Board.

Councilor Gray **MOVED** to recommend Mr. Fontneau; Councilor Keans seconded the recommendation. The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Mr. Fontneau to be reappointed as a Member of the Planning Board, with a term to on 1/2/2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra B. Keans, Chair