

Appointments Committee Minutes
January 27, 2014 (corrected)

Committee Members Present:

John Larochelle, Chair
James Gray
Donald Hamann
Sandra Keans
Jake Collins

John Larochelle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 27th.

Thomas H. Willis, Jr. - Utility Advisory Board (UAB), Planning Board – Alternate

Tom is a 26 year resident of Rochester and is a former City Engineer and member of the Planning Board. He would like to contribute to the City as a member of the UAB and the Planning Board. The Appointments Committee believes that his background makes him very qualified for both positions.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Thomas H. Willis, Jr. for appointment to the Utility Advisory, and as a Planning Board Alternate, terms to expire January 2017.

Fred Leonard – Planning Board Alternate

Fred would like to apply his talents by serving the City as a member of the Planning Board. He understands the need to become informed of appropriate regulations and the detail of the issues that go into making responsible decisions. He looks forward to attending appropriate training programs. Fred is aware of the complexity of serving on the Board and dedication needed and would like the opportunity to commit himself to this intellectual challenge.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Fred Leonard for appointment as a Planning Board Alternate, term to expire January 2017.

Fidae Azouri – Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) Alternate, Reappointment

Fidae has been an alternate member of the ZBA for 5 years enjoys working with the other members as a team. He feels that the ZBA is currently doing well. Although he has not attended any training sessions last year, he has regularly attended training sessions in previous years. He enjoys attending the training sessions with other Board members and is looking forward to attending more this year.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Fidae Azouri for reappointment to Zoning Board of Adjustment as an alternate member, term to expire January 2017.

Matthew Kozinski - Planning Board Regular, Reappointment

Matt has been on the Planning Board for two years and was appointed as a regular member to fill a vacant seat in 2013. He has enjoyed working with the Board on the revision of Chapter 42 of the City Ordinance and would like to continue to serve on the Board. Attendance at training sessions was limited last year. His schedule allows him to attend training sessions and he is looking forward to them this year.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Matthew Kozinski for reappointment to Planning Board, term to expire January 2017.

Rick Healey – Planning Board Regular, Reappointment

Rick has been on the Board for 14 years and wishes to continue to contribute to the growth and improvements of the City in this position. Because of his membership on the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and other activities, he generally exceeds the training requirements required for the Board members.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Rick Healey for reappointment to Planning Board, term to expire January 2017.

Derek Peters - Planning Board Regular, Reappointment

Derek's Statement of Interest was in the meeting packet but he was not able to interview because of a conflict. The committee is aware of his contributions to the Planning Board and the City in general and unanimously agreed to recommend him without waiting for the next opportunity for an interview.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Derek Peters for reappointment to Planning Board, term to expire January 2017.

Natalie Wensley – Library Trustee, Ward 3, Reappointment

Natalie has served as a Library Trustee for two decades and wishes to continue to serve the City in this capacity. She enjoys working with her fellow Trustees and the Director of the Library. She believes that the Library is operating very well in a time of greater need caused by the economy.

The Appointments Committee unanimously recommends Natalie Wensley for reappointment to Planning Board, term to expire January 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

John Larochelle, Chair
Appointments Committee