



COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

March 14, 2014

Room C

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Peter Kochenburger, Chair of the Committee, at 8:11 a.m.

Present: Steve Kegler, Peter Kochenburger, Alex Marcellino

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Marcellino moved and Mr. Kegler seconded to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public were in attendance.

4. COMMITTEE VACANCIES/APPLICATION

A request has been made by Mr. Kristopher Perry to serve on the Ethics Committee. Mr. Perry is now serving on the Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities which excludes him from serving on the Ethics Board. Town Clerk Mary Stanton will be asked to contact Kristopher Perry to explain why he cannot serve on both committees and ask his preference.

Mr. Marcellino moved and Mr. Kegler seconded to recommend the reappointment of Gretchen Hall (term ending 10/31/2018) to the Mansfield Housing Authority. The motion passed unanimously.

It was noted that the Mansfield Advisory Committee on the Needs of Persons with Disabilities held their first meeting with a quorum on January 28, 2014. Patricia Schneider will be asked for recommendations to fill a number of vacancies.

Mr. Kochenburger moved and Mr. Marcellino seconded to recommend the appointments of Rita Kornblum, Jordana Frost and Julie Campbell to the Mansfield Advocates for Children for a terms ending on June 30, 2016. The motion passed unanimously. Due to the large influx of members Mr. Kochenburger will contact Coordinator Kathleen Krider to see if committee members would be interested on serving on other committees.

Mr. Marcellino moved and Mr. Kegler seconded to recommend the reappointment of Anita Bacon and the appointment of Lesley Dyson Minearo as a regular member, terms ending 1/1/2019, to the Historic District Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Town Manager Matt Hart joined the meeting at 8:35 A.M.

Town Manager Matt Hart will contact staff regarding the appointments of Michael Gerald and Janet Dauphin to the Library Advisory Board.

Mr. Hart announced the resignation of Paul Aho from the Windham Regional Transit District as of the end of June 2014. Mr. Hart voiced a variety of concerns regarding the financial viability and performance of WRTD. Mr. Hart suggested that he review the situation with Mayor Betsy Paterson followed by a recommendation for the appointment of a representative to WRTD.

Mr. Marcellino suggested that area towns utilizing the services of WRTD be in communication.

Mr. Hart also voiced his concern about serving as a staff member on the Sustainability Committee. Mr. Hart will draft an amendment to the charge of the Committee. Questions were raised on the appointments of staff members to advisory committees; concerns about the effectiveness of individual committees; staff time involved and the possibility of merging committees.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kegler moved and Mr. Marcellino seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Hawthorne, Assistant Town Clerk

March 24, 2014

At the March 14, 2014 meeting of the Committee on Committees, the following recommendations were approved:

The reappointment of XXX to the XXX Committee for a term ending X/X/XXXX,

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