

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Town Council Conference Room

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Councilor John Norman, Chair  
Councilor Sara Cushing  
Councilor Debra S Dagwan  
Councilor John G. Flores  
Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

May 16, 2017 5:30pm

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**In attendance:** Chair of Committee Councilor John Norman, Councilor John Flores, and Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti **ABSENT:** Councilor Sara Cushing, Councilor Debra Dagwan

**I. BUSINESS:**

**Disability Commission-** Denis Briand moved here 3 years ago lives in Marston Mills; worked for Polaroid Corporation as an Auctioneer. Mr. Briand has attended some of the Disability Committee meetings and has met a few of the members, such a great group of people. One of the motivating factors in wishing to join the Disability Commission is because he has a son who is deaf .Was the President on the Mass Parents for the Deaf. Son went to many schools; he wears a hearing aid but he has excellent speech, by hearing him talk you wouldn't know he was deaf.

**Human Services Committee-** Steven Xiarhos, born and raised in the West End of New Bedford, right next to the prison, it was a poor area but it taught him at a young age how to care an help people regardless of who they are or what they struggled with. Mr. Xiarhos became a police officer because he loves helping people. Mr. Xiarhos is the Deputy Chief of Police in Yarmouth and recently moved to Barnstable. Mr. Xiarhos experiences on the Yarmouth Police Department have been Patrolman, Sargent, Detective, Lieutenant, and Deputy Chief; has three college degrees; wants to use what he has learned to help others. Mr. Xiarhos suffered the loss of his son at war, take that loss and help others that are struggling. Has formed a foundation and we give the money away to different groups of those in need. Mr. Xiarhos stated "It's in my heart to help others and my community".

**Economic Development Commission-** Joyce Flavin, background is primary corporate; worked as a IT Project Manager, for a lot of different companies staring out at Delta Airlines as a programmer an worked her way up with digital equipment. Ms. Flavin also worked for the Gillette Company and Proctor and Gamble. Ms. Flavin's last employment was consulting work before she retired. Ms. Flavin's family had a house in Plymouth, and came to visit family for many years. Ms. Flavin decided to retire on Cape Cod at the Yachtsman Condominiums. Ms. Flavin is on the Board of Directors and is returning this year for her 2nd term as Sectary Clerk; also run the business office side of the property management office with the unit owners.

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**Disability Commission-** Sabrina Kane, back on Cape after passing the Massachusetts Bar exam back in May 2016; had practiced law in Maryland for about 4 years. Graduated from the University of Baltimore School of Law in 2012; clerked for a judge at the Circuit Court for Baltimore County for a year then decided to open her own law practice permanently doing litigation and decided after a while that she didn't want to continue doing cooperate law. Ms. Flavin is educated on Elder Law an Estate Planning. Love volunteer work, its great and very rewarding.

**Youth Commission-** Matthew McCauley, 16 years old, attends Barnstable High School. Mr. McCauley is interested in the Town Council. He likes that the Youth Commission believes in the larger goals like prevention of drugs in the high school. He would like to also bring sex education to the school because he feels it is another important topic. Really wants to be a part of the Youth Commission to help their causes and push these projects and help the general body. Mr. McCauley was invited to go to Sturgis but decided to stay at Barnstable High School because of their large music program, enjoys playing the trumpet, however it is more of a hobby. Technology is his future spends a lot of time using technology, taking things apart figuring out how it works and programming.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Chair of the Committee, Councilor John Norman asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes and of March 21, 2017 with scriber correction. A motion was made by Councilor John Flores to accept the following the minutes from March 21, 2017; the motion was seconded by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti. All members present with the exception of the abstention voted in favor of accepting the meeting minutes from March 21, 2017 with scriber correction.

A motion was made by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti to recommend the following individuals to Boards/Committees/Commissions; this was seconded by Councilor John G. Flores. All members present voted in favor of recommending to the full Council the following individuals to serve on the Town's Boards/ Committees/ Commissions:

**Disability Commission-** Denis Briand

A motion was made by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti to recommend the following individuals to Boards/Committees/Commissions; this was seconded by Councilor John G. Flores, Councilor John Norman opposed. Members present voted in favor of recommending to the full Council the following individuals to serve on the Town's Boards/ Committees/ Commissions:

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**Human Services Commission-** Steven Xiarhos

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**Economic Development Commission-** Joyce Flavin

**Disability Commission-** Sabrina Kane

**Youth Commission-** Matthew McCauley

A motion was made by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti to accept the following reappointments to Boards/Committees/Commissions; this was seconded by Councilor John G. Flores. All members present voted in favor of accepting the following reappointments:

**Reappointments to Boards / Committees / Commissions: : Airport Commission:** Stephen Cobb as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Council on Aging:** Josephine Melpignano as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Taylor Cobb as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; John Joje as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Ella Rollins as an associate member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Historical Commission:** Nancy Clark as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Laurie Young as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Nancy Shoemaker as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Francis Wurzburg as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Housing Committee:** Glen Anderson as a Barnstable Housing Authority representative member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission:** Timothy Ferreira as an alternate member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Land Acquisition & Preservation:** Kristine Clark as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; Elissa Crowley as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Trust Fund Advisory Board:** Frances Parks, as a Human Services Representative member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Water Resource Advisory Commission:** Fred Dempsey as a regular member to a term expiring 6/30/20; **Waterways Committee:** Paul Everson as a regular member to a term expiring

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**Discussion:** Review of all Boards/Committees/Commissions.

Still have a request to reduce the number of the Renewable Energy Commission and change their name. President Eric Steinhilber hasn't given specific direction on how to approach this situation, leave it as is for now; Renewable Energy was acknowledged at the Appointment Committee level; waiting for direction from Council leadership.

A motion was made by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti to accept the following discussion of Robin Young to regular member to a term expiring 6/19; this was seconded by Councilor John G. Flores. All members present voted in favor of accepting the following resignations:

    . Moving Robin Young from Alternate to Regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals

**NEXT MEETING:** June 27, 2017

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, and upon motion duly made by Chair of Committee John Norman and seconded by Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:00 pm.