APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Councilor Seth Burdick, Chair
Councilor Thomas Keane
Councilor Charles Bloom

September 28, 2026
4:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

Chair of the Appointments Committee opened the meeting of the Appointments Committee at 4:00pm and made the following announcement: **THIS IS A VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY - ZOOM LINK BELOW**

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The administrator to the Town Council took Roll call:

Councilor Seth Burdick	present
Councilor Thomas Keane	present
Councilor Charles Bloom	present

Chair of Committee asked for any public comment, seeing none, the Chair closed public comment.

Chair of Committee introduced Chris Gregory who has applied for the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Dear Ms. Lovell,

Please find attached my application form for the ZBA openings. I have also checked Planning in case I might be considered in the future.

All Best,
Chris Gregory

Town of Barnstable
Application Form
Board/Commission/Committee Application Form

Name: Chris Gregory Address: 30 Loomis Ln Centerville MA 02632

Mailing Address: 30 Loomis Ln Centerville MA 02632 E-mail: cjtgregory@gmail.com

Telephone: (H) 201-463-9159 (W) " " (Cell) " "

Please list schools attended and /certificates or degrees earned: Connecticut College BA, Worcester Polytechnic Institute MS

Recent Work Experience/Employers/Profession: Business Systems Analyst - ITHAKA 16 years

Are you a resident and registered to vote in the town of Barnstable? Yes ☑ No ☐ Have you applied in the past? Yes ☑ No ☐ If yes, please when & which committee: Ad Hoc Zoning and Housing Committee

REQUIREMENT: TO SERVE, YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT AND REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THE TOWN OF BARNSTABLE.

Please rank in order of preference, (not more than five)

- ☐ Airport Commission
- ☐ Appeals, Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Committee
- ☐ Board of Assessors
- ☐ Board of Health
- ☐ Community Preservation Committee
- ☐ Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee
- ☐ Conservation Commission
- ☐ Council on Aging
- ☐ Cultural Council (Mid-Cape)
- ☐ Disability Commission
- ☐ Elderly & Disabled Taxation Aid Committee
- ☐ Golf Committee
- ☐ Historical Commission
- ☐ Housing Committee
- ☐ Human Services Committee
- ☐ Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission
- ☐ Infrastructure & Energy Committee
- ☐ JFK Memorial Trust Fund
- ☐ Open Space Committee
- ☐ Licensing Authority
- ☐ Old Kings Hwy Historic District Commission
- ☑ Planning Board
- ☐ Recreation Commission
- ☐ Sandy Neck Board
- ☐ Scholarship Committee
- ☐ Shellfish Advisory Board
- ☐ Trust Fund Advisory Board
- ☐ Water Quality Advisory Committee
- ☐ Waterways Committee
- ☐ Youth Commission (high school students)
- ☑ Zoning Board of Appeal

Signature

9/11/26
Date

NOTE: Return completed form to: Barnstable Town Council Office, 367 Main St., Hyannis 02601, or FAX to: 508-862-4770. Or attach your application and email to Cynthia.lovell@town.barnstable.ma.us Additional documents (letter of interest & resume) should be included as well. Please always apply even if a vacancy does not exist, as memberships change often. If there are no current vacancies in your choices for appointment, your application will be kept on file for 2 years for future reference. Please be prepared to discuss your skill sets and any possible conflicts of interests at your interview.

For the attention of the Committee:

Hello!

My name is Chris Gregory. I am a resident of Centerville and have lived on the Cape since 2016. I married into a family of Cahoon's, Smalls, and Nickerson's, and I have done my best to graft myself onto their deep roots while bringing a Washa shore's perspective to my time here so far. My wife and I are raising the first two Cape Codder's in the family in 3 generations. I have tried to be active in local government by commenting at public meetings, sending in written comments, and applying for the previously formed Ad Hoc Housing and Zoning committees. Although I was not selected, Councilor Bloom can attest that I was one of the more active public participants both in person and through correspondence. My title in work is Business Systems Analyst, and while there are important technical and support aspects to my job, the core of it is understanding complex systems both from a operational, technical, policy, and human element and delivering solutions that cut at the core of the problem at hand, even if it is not necessarily the problem at face that was brought to me. This requires a practice of empathy that asks me to step outside of my own experience and preferences and "feel bad" the same way the people I am trying to help while also weighing the implications for people and entities not in the room at the time. I also work for a not-for-profit and feel motivated to work for a

mission to do good for the world. I was raised by two career prosecutors and they instilled in me the belief that a just outcome has less to do with what was actually decided and more that proper and thorough process was applied to the problem in question. While I do not bring any specific subject matter expertise to Zoning through my training or vocation, I do bring an ability to learn complex concepts quickly, engage deeply with problems, prepare thoroughly, and resist groupthink. I thank you for the service you all provide in populating our Committees with many qualified candidates to choose from and humbly ask that I be considered as well.

Sincerely,
Chris Gregory

Members of the Committee thanked Mr. Gregory for his passion and commitment to the town. Councilor Bloom recognized that Mr. Gregory always has thoughtful and inciteful comments to bring and often speaks with a lot of passion. Councilor Bloom recognizes that he would be a great asset to the ZBA.

Chair of Committee thanked Mr. Gregory and stated that the Committee would be in touch with him as soon as they have the discussion on recommendations from other applicants that have been interviewed and applied.

Chair of Committee discussed the reappointment of Mary Bianco, as a regular member, to the **Mid Cape Cultural Council** to a term expiring 06/30/2029 and **Waterways Committee:** Paul Everson, as a regular member, to a term expiring 06/30/2029.

Councilor Thomas Keane made the recommendation for Mary Bianco, as a regular member, to the **Mid Cape Cultural Council** to a term expiring 06/30/2029 and **Waterways Committee:** Paul Everson, as a regular member, to a term expiring 06/30/2029; this was seconded by Councilor Bloom.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Councilors:

Councilor Bloom Yes
Councilor Burdick Yes
Councilor Keane Yes

Chair of Committee asked for a motion to accept the meeting minutes from July 06 and August 24, 2026.

Councilor Bloom made the recommendation of accepting the meeting minutes from July 06 and August 24, 2026 as written, this was seconded by Councilor Keane, a Roll Call Vote was taken:

Councilor Burdick Yes
Councilor Keane Yes
Councilor Bloom Yes

Adjourn: 5:42pm.

Next meeting: October 19, 2026 at 4pm via Virtual link