



CITY OF WATERTOWN

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Residents' Advisory Committee Wednesday, June 14, 2023 Minutes

Attendees

Committee Members: Liz Cremens, Sam Ling, Kathryn Madden, Theo Offei, Thomas Tracy

Administrative

A motion was made to approve the minutes from June 7, 2023, seconded, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Discussion

The RAC would like to meet again with the City Manager to check in on the process to date. The RAC recommendations for new board/committee members to date are in various stages, including interviews with the City Manager and Council approval, where required. The RAC will continue to coordinate with the City Manager's office to make sure that the rosters of current members of boards and committees are updated on the City's website, which is an ongoing process as terms expire and new members are appointed.

The Faire on the Square will be held in September and could be a good opportunity for the RAC to reach out to the community and let people know about the many boards and committees in Watertown, and where there are openings to be filled.

Interviews are being scheduled in July for candidates that are available for following committees:

- Public Arts and Culture
- Affordable Housing Trust
- Traffic Commission

Action Steps

Establish sequence and recruitment for interviews for Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, Commission on Disability, Conservation Commission, Cultural Council, and Stormwater Advisory, especially where there are vacancies

- Theo Offei to reach out to the Chair of the Conservation Commission (ongoing).
- Liz Cremens to reach out to the staff liaison for the Commission on Disabilities (ongoing)
- Liz Cremens to speak to the City Manager's Office about advertising for the Conservation Commission (ongoing)
- Kathryn Madden to reach out to members of the Stormwater Advisory regarding interest in renewing.

The next meetings are scheduled for Thursday, June 15, and Wednesday, July 12, 2023. Another meeting will be scheduled in early August, 2023

The meeting moved into Executive Session and did not reconvene as a public meeting.

Minutes: Submitted by Kathryn Madden, June 14, 2023