

BLOOMFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES SUBCOMMITTEE

There was a regular meeting of the above referenced subcommittee held on Monday, September 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room #5, Bloomfield Town Hall, 800 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, CT.

Committee members present were: Councilors Washington, DeLorenzo and Neuwirth, Deputy Mayor Schulman

Also present was: Councilor Joseph Merritt, Marguerite Phillips, Town Clerk and India Rodgers, Clerk of Council

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

Ms. Marguerite Phillips, Town Clerk gave a brief status report regarding current vacancies of boards and commissions.

Central Regional Tourism District

Councilor Washington spoke with the Democratic Town Committee (DTC) regarding this vacancy. He will follow up and check with Mr. Hugh Freney to inquire about his interest to remain active with this commission.

Hartford Area Cable TV Advisory Council

An e-mail was sent to Mayor Gamble, Mr. Donald Harris, Chair of the Bloomfield Board of Education and Mr. Philip K. Schenck, Jr., Town Manager for a recommendation regarding an appointment to this board.

North Central Regional Mental Health Board

Councilor Washington will contact Ms. Leslie Woods regarding her interest to continue serving on this board.

Advisory Committee on Services to People with Disabilities

This subcommittee will review the need of purpose for this board. This committee has not been active for several years. Councilor Washington mentioned this board to the DTC. The committee members did not appoint anyone to this board at this time.

Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Commission

There is currently a Democratic vacancy on this commission with term ending November 2017. Councilor Washington will mention this vacancy at the next DTC meeting.

Ethics Commission

This commission still has a vacancy for an unaffiliated member (Democrats fill this seat) and Republican alternate, due to the resignation of James McGovern. A disclosure is required and term ending June 30, 2018. By appointing this vacancy it can assure the Commission to meet its required quorum of five members so they can hold their meetings and conduct business.

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Councilor Washington will speak with Pat Braun regarding any interest or recommendation to fill the Democratic vacancy, with term ending November 2017, no disclosure required.

Fair Rent Commission

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Schulman, seconded by Councilor Washington and voted unanimously to appoint Alan Budkofsky to the Fair Rent Commission, no disclosure required and term ending one year from date of appointment, July 25, 2016.

Bloomfield Recreation Committee

There is a Republican vacancy on this committee. Mr. David Melesko, staff liaison to this board will inquire about interest to fill this vacancy.

Human Relations Commission

Deputy Mayor Schulman briefly explained and reviewed the differences between the Human Relations Commission and the Community Awareness Taskforce.

The Human Relations Commission is charged to promote understanding, respect and equality among all people within the town, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity and sexual orientation.

The Community Awareness Taskforce was to improve Bloomfield's reputation as a community in which to live, raise a family and conduct business.

There was also some brief discussions regarding publicizing the recruitment efforts of the town to joining the taskforce. It was recommended by committee members that Ms. Camilla Jones and Mrs. Sharron Howe will assist as staff liaisons to this taskforce.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

It was moved by Councilor Neuwirth, seconded by Councilor DeLorenzo and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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