

SEARCH COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2022

Present: Amy Hackworth, Hilda Merolli, Gail Brown, Ron Mullett, Sheldon Ross, Pat Donovan

Absent: Ellen Greer

The minutes for the March 14 meeting were approved.

Problems with the new town website:

Hilda Merolli's name was omitted from the Search Committee members list. Amy asked the correction be made. The Open Volunteer Positions List has been omitted and Linda Sassi is handling communication on correcting this. Sheldon is trying to communicate the Search Committee's needs and ideas with the people creating the new website and having limited success.

Board and Committee Openings (from March 8, 2022)

The opening on the Council on Aging no longer exists since the Select Board has approved the board membership be decreased from 11 to 9.

The Zoning Board Task Force is happy with the number of members it has at present. It has a list of applicants if it needs a new member. The Search Committee will not be handling this committee going forward.

Amy thinks that the new Housing Trust Fund will be replacing the Affordable Housing Trust. It is unknown if this committee will fill membership through the Search Committee.

An applicant for the Conservation Commission will be attending their monthly meeting today. This applicant has also expressed interest in the Planning Committee.

The applicant for the Finance Committee we talked about at the last meeting has had a sports accident and will not be pursuing a committee appointment at this time.

In the past, if a committee or board will not be meeting for some time, an applicant can go back and read past minutes or view meeting videos if they exist, in order to meet the requirement to attend a meeting before being interviewed. Amy reminded us that this is at the discretion of the committee's Select Board Liaison.

On the application form, an applicant can list three committees they are interested in, in order of preference. Amy suggests we follow up on second and third choices as well as the first.

Advertising and Publicity

Gail posted on the Eastham Community Page that there was a need for applications for the Conservation Commission and the Zoning Board, in keeping with the plan to emphasize the Regulatory Committees and Boards. She also wrote an article, to be published in the Eastham Non-Resident Tax Payers Association Newsletter, soliciting applications for non-regulatory town committees. Hilda will bring our brochures to their meeting on July 7.

Upcoming Events for Search Committee to Cover:

Town Meeting-- Amy and Sheldon will man a table and have our banner displayed.

Nauset Newcomers May Meeting—Pat will check with Nauset Newcomers and see if she and Ellen can cover it.

Town Elections—Amy will see that our banner is put up.

Windmill Weekend—Amy will check with Joanna Stevens, chair, to see if we can get better placement for the Search Committee Table, perhaps grouped with other town committees that will be having a table.

New Business:

Amy will contact Paul Lagg, who handles town media, to see if there is an Eastham Town Newsletter.

The next meeting will be scheduled by Amy.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat Donovan". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Pat Donovan