

PUBLIC SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

The Town Council is seeking applications from the citizens of South Kingstown for consideration of appointment as members of the following boards and commissions:

ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW: the Board shall hear and consider the appeal of any property owners concerning the amount of his/her assessed valuation as determined by the Town Assessor. The Assessment Board of Review shall have authority to order a correction of any valuation that has been erroneously or incorrectly assessed. The appointment is for (1) member to fill a term to expire in January 2012.

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS: was established in accordance with the State BOCA Basic Building Code to hear appeals from aggrieved parties regarding the interpretation, requirements, direction or failure to act under the State Code by the Building Inspector. New membership on the Board is specified by State procedures. The board shall consist of one architect, two professional engineers, one builder, and a building official or public member. The appointment is for (1) professional engineer member to fill a term until June 2012.

And to serve simultaneously on the

MINIMUM HOUSING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS: The Housing Board of Appeals is authorized to hear and decide appeals from compliance as noted in the Minimum Housing Code. The Board shall have the power to reverse or affirm wholly or partly or to modify any order of the Chief Inspector and in specific cases to authorize such variance in the application of the terms of this Ordinance, where owing to unusual conditions a literal enforcement of the provisions of the Ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the Ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done. The Town Council appoints members of this Board for five-year terms. Meetings are called only when needed. The appointment is for one member for a term to expire June 2012.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: the advisory duties of the Conservation Commission are: to promote and develop natural resources to protect watershed resources, and to preserve natural aesthetic areas, to conduct research into local land areas and to coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes, to recommend to the Town Council and to other municipal boards and agencies a program for better promotion, development, utilization or preservation of open areas, streams, shores, wooded areas, roadsides, swamps, marshlands and natural aesthetic areas, to work with organizations such as, but not limited to, the South Kingstown Land Trust toward the goals of natural resource protection and open space designation. The Conservation Commission

also acts as the Tree Board. The appointment is for (1) member to fill a term to expire in September 2014.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: the Committee shall pursue the following goals: Encourage the attraction and expansion of industrial and commercial development which is consistent with environmental policies and standards established in the Community Comprehensive Plan and in Town ordinances and regulations; develop site criteria for new business development and expansion of existing firms; review specific locations that are most suitable to nonresidential development; recommend strategies to enhance local conditions favorable to the promotion of responsible economic growth; identify potential cooperative ventures with the University of Rhode Island to stimulate commercial and industrial development; research federal and state economic development funding assistance programs and services. The appointment is for (2) members to fill terms to expire in March 2013.

SOUTH KINGSTOWN PARTNERSHIP FOR PREVENTION: This Commission is charged to lead the Town of South Kingstown in substance abuse prevention activities by using a variety of strategies and resources in partnership with multiple, specifically required sectors of the community to design and control a multitude of prevention programs. The SKPP Commission members will also be involved in the broader defined SKPP Coalition that is designed in accordance with guidelines outlined in both State and Federal Substance Abuse and Prevention grant funding programs. The SKPP is structured to receive funding from numerous sources included those at the Local, State and Federal governmental levels as well as other private For-Profit and Non-Profit Trusts and Foundations. The Commission is to be comprised of (7) voting members serving (3) year terms and various Ex-Officio representatives including (1) Law Enforcement, (1) Parks and Recreation, (1) School, (2) Student and (2) Town Council representatives. The appointment is for 1 member to fill a term to expire in June 2012.

THE SOUTH KINGSTOWN AFFORDABLE HOUSING COLLABORATIVE is an advisory committee to the Town Council and Planning Board. The general purpose of the committee is to assist the Town Council in overseeing the implementation of and advocate for affordable housing measures identified in the South Kingstown Affordable Housing Production Plan, a component of the South Kingstown Comprehensive Community Plan. The Collaborative also provides input to the Town administration regarding issues and programs relating to the provision and/or retention of affordable housing within South Kingstown. In addition, the Collaborative acts as a local resource for the community relative to affordable housing issues, particularly in regard to educating the general public about affordable housing needs in South Kingstown. The appointment is for one member to fill a term that expires in August 2013.

Applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office or on our website.

Town Council Rules of Commission, Committee and Board Appointment procedures and the applications filed for each commission, committee and board are available for public review in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Send applications to:

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180 High Street
Wakefield, RI 02879