

Volunteer Coordinating Committee

Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2022

7:00PM

Via Zoom Conference Call <https://zoom.us/j/87454124171>

Present: Gregory Hutchins, Hart Millett, and Fang Yang

Absent: None

Virtual Meeting Coordinator: Fang Yang

1. Opening

Chair Hutchins opened the meeting at 7:26PM

2. Regular Business

- A. Update on Committee Openings/Appointments - Chair Hutchins updated committee applications and appointments.
- B. Public Comments/citizens concerns - None.
- C. Approval of Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes from the VCC’s June 23, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Millett moved to approve the meeting minutes and Mr. Hutchins seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:
Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.
- D. Next Meeting – Zoom Meeting, 7:00pm, September 8, 2022.

3. New/Special Business

Discussion on Application by Rachel Krebs for Land Stewardship Committee (LSC)

- Chair Hutchins reported that Ms. Krebs withdrew her application before the meeting.

Discussion on Application by Emi Azar for Council on Aging (COA)

- Ms. Azar has been an active member of COA, Acton. She has already volunteered a lot for COA. The board invited her to attend their meetings. She decided to join COA.
- Ms. Azar is retired. She has BA from Smith College. Before retirement, She worked at RCAP Solutions, which assists family’s application for Section Eight, Gardner, MA.
- Ms. Azar served on Patient Family Advisory Council (PFAC), Heywood Hospital, Gardner, MA, 2013 - 2016. She volunteered at Heywood Hospital 2010 - 2017, at Acton Arboretum Fall 2017, and at Minuteman Services of COA, 2018 - 2020.
- Ms. Azar knows towns affair mainly through activities at COA.
- Ms. Azar indicated that she could attend future COA meetings regularly.
- Ms. Azar reported no conflict of interest.

Discussion on Application by Ruby Lillie for Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee (DEIC)

- Ms. Lillie has talked to David Martin about being a member as a high school student and attended DEIC meetings.
- Ms. Lillie has been a resident of Acton for 14 years. She is a member of AB Students for Equity and Justice, and Student Prison Activism Club.
- Ms. Lillie will be a senior at ABRHS. She works as Assistant Manager at Silver Unicorn Bookstore in Acton.
- Ms. Lillie indicated that she could attend future DEIC meetings regularly.
- Ms. Lillie reported no conflict of interest.

Discussion on Application by Richard Doherty for Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)

- Mr. Doherty stated that he is mostly retired, and has been a resident of Acton for 31 years. He wants to help the town with the background he has. WRAC is the one he is working into.
- Mr. Doherty has MS in Civil/ Environmental engineering, and specializes in environmental engineering. His past work involves investigating contaminated properties and provide ground water remediation.
- Mr. Doherty has attended one WRAC meeting, and indicated that he could attend future meetings regularly.
- Mr. Doherty reported no conflict of interest.

Discussion on Waiving Interview for Jeffrey Bergart for his Application to Human Service Committee (HSC)

Based on Mr. Bergart's multiple terms of service on the Finance Committee, and current service on COA, Mr. Hutchins moved to waive Jeffrey Bergart's interview. Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Jeffrey Bergart for Human Service Committee (HSC)

Mr. Yang moved to forward Jeffrey Bergart's name to the Slect Board for further consideration to be appointed as a member of the Human Service Committee. Mr. Millett Seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

4. Adjournment

At 8:33 PM

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Documents and Exhibits Used During this Meeting

- Meeting minutes of June 23, 2022.
- Volunteer Application by Emi Azar.
- Volunteer Application by Ruby Lillie.
- Volunteer Application by Richard Doherty.

- Volunteer Application by Jeffrey Bergart.