



TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT

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RULES FOR COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS

I. SELECTION PROCESS OF MEMBERS

1. As authorized by the Town Council, the Town Clerk shall advertise once a year in a local newspaper, the commissions, committees, and boards that will have upcoming appointments. When a vacancy occurs it will be placed on the Town's website.
2. Upon receipt of an application, the Town Clerk shall date stamp it and retain the original.
3. The application shall remain on file for a period of two (2) years from the date received. The Town Clerk will contact applicant after the two year period to seek availability and interest. The Town Clerk will forward all applications on file for an open board when a vacancy becomes available on that particular committee, commission or board to the Town Council and to the Town Manager.
4. All new vacancies on the Planning or Zoning Boards will require that the Town Council interview those candidates.
5. The Town Council motion to appoint a candidate to a particular committee, commission or board, shall have the names of each applicant candidate listed on the summary.
6. A written staff recommendation may be submitted to the council through the Town Manager.

7. All applications received shall be available for public review to the extent under law, in the office of the Town Clerk.
8. The mission for each board, commission or committee shall be available in the office of the Town Clerk and on the town's website.

II. REQUIREMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Applications for the various commissions, committees and boards shall be available in the Town Clerk's Office or on the Town's website.
2. Applications shall be completed and submitted to the Town Clerk no later than the advertised filing date also unless otherwise approved by the unanimous consent of the council only applications received before the scheduled appointment date shall be considered for appointment.
3. The Town Clerk shall notify individuals whose terms are about to expire by letter, to determine if that individual wishes to be considered for reappointment. Members are reappointed at the discretion of the Town Council.
4. Individuals wishing to be considered for reappointment shall notify the Town Clerk prior to the expiration of the date in the letter sent to them.
5. The chairperson of each commission, committee or board shall submit an *Annual Report* including an attendance record, to the Town Clerk, for those individuals wishing to be considered for reappointment.
6. No person shall be appointed to serve concurrently on more than one commission, committee, or board created by the Town Council, with the exception of AdHoc commissions, committees or boards, or dual appointments required by Charter, Ordinance or Resolution. Dual office may be permitted if all applications on file are given appropriate consideration before a person is appointed to a second board or committee and the appointment will not violate the town charter.
7. Any appointee who is absent without cause for three (3) consecutive meetings may be subject to removal by the Town Council.
8. When any member of a commission, committee or board is absent for (3) consecutive meetings, the Chairperson shall notify the Town Clerk, who shall in turn notify the Town Council for direction. Should the Chairperson recognize any other attendance deficiencies, the Town Clerk shall be notified, who shall in turn notify the Town Council for direction.

9. The applicant shall comply with all State Laws and Regulations, as well as Ethics Commission requirements for appointees.
10. The applicant shall be a full time resident and elector in the town to be considered for an appointment to the Planning Board, Pension Board and Zoning Board Review.

III. APPOINTMENT REVIEW PROCESS

1. The Town Council shall review each application and may invite specific candidates to an interview with the Council prior to a regularly scheduled meeting or work session. Candidates interviewed by the Town Council will be sent a letter of appreciation by the Town Clerk.
2. When making a nomination, the Council member making the recommendation will verbally outline reasons for the nomination.

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