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PRESS RELEASE

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The following is a list of the Town of Bennington Boards and Commissions and includes a brief description of the duties of each office and those positions available in March, May, and June 2021. Bennington residents interested in these positions must submit a letter of interest for the position desired to the Bennington Select Board and send it to the Town Manager=s Office, 205 South Street, P.O. Box 469, Bennington, Vermont 05201, no later than noon on Friday, May 14, 2021.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD - The Development Review Board hears and decides upon permit applications regarding development in the Town of Bennington including, Variance Requests, Conditional Use Requests, Site Plans, Design Plans, Planned Unit Developments, Planned Residential Developments, Subdivisions, and Appeals of the Zoning Administrator=s decisions. Board members will be expected to attend at least one training session annually to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge necessary to perform their powers and duties on the Board.

(Appointed to 3-year term)	**Term Expires**
2 POSITIONS OPEN	5/24

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - An appointed position with a term of three years and requires expertise or qualifications in the fields of architecture, historic preservation, etc. Meetings are held twice per month. The Historic Preservation Commission is empowered by ordinance to act in the preservation and identification of Bennington's historic sites and structures; oversee the survey and review of historic sites eligible for the National Register, educate and advise other boards and commissions as well as the general public with regard to historic preservation matters.

(appointed to 3-year term)	**Term Expires**
2 POSITIONS OPEN	5/24

HOUSING AUTHORITY - An autonomous body appointed for terms of five years by the Select Board which acts as the Board of Directors for Housing Authority properties (Willowbrook, Brookside Apartments, Beech Court, and Walloomsac Apartments) and oversees the staff and sets policies for operation.

(Appointed to 5-year term)	**Term Expires**
1 POSITION OPEN	5/26

ENERGY COMMITTEE – A committee established by the Select Board to pursue implementation of the Town's Energy Plan, advocate for energy conservation and renewable energy projects, and report on a regular basis to the Select Board. The committee shall be comprised of seven (7) members.

(Appointed to 1-year term)	**Term Expires**
1 SELECT BOARD MEMBER	6/22
3 POSITIONS OPEN	6/23
3 POSITIONS OPEN	6/24

BOARD OF LISTERS - An appointed position with a term of two years. Meetings are held once or twice per month or as needed. The Listers inspect properties, approve assessments developed by the Assessor's Office and hear and act upon appeals by property owners.

(Appointed to 2-year term)	**Term Expires**
1 POSITION OPEN	5/23

PLANNING COMMISSION - An appointed position with a term of four years. Meetings will be established when the Commission meets. This is a five-member board. The Planning Commission drafts, revises, updates, and upholds the provisions of the Town Plan; makes recommendations to the Select Board regarding amendments to the Zoning Bylaw, sign ordinance, and subdivision regulations; actively participates in the preservation of historic sites and agricultural lands; and is charged with the overall planning of Bennington.

(Appointed to a 4-year term)	**Term Expires**
2 POSITIONS OPEN	5/25

REGIONAL COMMISSION - An appointed position with a term of two years. The Regional Commission, part of a county-wide planning commission charged with development of the overall regional planning policies, is empowered to develop budgets, employ staff, and assist in development of a regional plan.

(Appointed to 2-year term)	**Term Expires**
1 POSITION OPEN	3/23