

TOWN OF RICHMOND VERMONT

Application Form for Town Commissions, Boards and Committees

Please submit your application to: Volunteer Search, P.O. Box 285, Richmond, VT 05477, by email to [dwardwell@richmondvt.gov](mailto:dwardwell@richmondvt.gov) or by placing it in the drop box outside the Town Office by April 13, 2022. Water & Sewer Commission applications are due June 1, 2022. Development Review Board (DRB) applications are due by May 11, 2022.

Please supply the following information:

1) Review the scheduled meeting day/time of the Commission, Board, or Committee along with the length of the term of the position. Will you be able to regularly make the meetings?  Y / N  
Will you be able to serve for the term of the position?  Y / N

2) Please introduce yourself to the Selectboard by providing a short cover letter detailing your background, training, and experience with the board/commission/committee you are applying for and/or resume.

Name of Applicant: Connie van Eeghen Date: 2/18/2022

Phone Number: 802-373-6286 Email Address: RichmondCove@comcast.net

Name of Commission/ Board/ Committee: Housing Committee

If you serve on another Commission/Board/ Committee, please indicate which one(s):

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Richmond Resident:  Y / N (circle one)

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Duncan Wardwell at 802-336-2092 or [dwardwell@richmondvt.gov](mailto:dwardwell@richmondvt.gov)

Connie van Eeghen  
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February 22, 2022

Selectboard Members, Town of Richmond

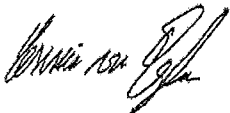
I am a ~30 year resident of Richmond Vermont. My spouse and I raised three children here and wanted very much for them to stay close by – but they never considered this based on the lack of options for living in Richmond, along with other factors.

I have been a public health administrator, working in health care organizations such as the University Health Center and Fletcher Allen Health Center (both in Burlington) and Copley Health System (in Lamoille County), along with other organizations, so I understand that planning for and management of an important resource, such as housing stock, takes time, learning, and thought. I am currently a faculty member and researcher at the University of Vermont's Larner College of Medicine and understand that there are many factors involved in making recommendations about zoning codes and other structures that support future housing opportunities.

I am also the Treasurer of Our Community Cares Camp, having joined the Board of this non-profit summer camp and food service organization in 2014, as well as a founding member of Richmond Racial Equity group, a community group of volunteers exploring how Richmond as a town can evaluate its policies and actions to support anti-racism work and to support new opportunities for residents and visitors who have been marginalized in the past.

I joined the Richmond Housing Committee at its inception, in September 2020, and nominate myself for continued membership. I care greatly about how this town embraces and includes people who may differ from each other but all share common values in creating and maintain a healthy, diverse and welcoming culture, supported by policies and procedures to make it so.

Thank you for considering my self-nomination for reappointment,



Connie van Eeghen

Housing Committee – Re-application 5/10/2022

I have been serving on the Housing Committee for the past several years, and wish to continue as a member of this committee. I As a member, I have been providing a link with the Planning Commission in order that we might collaborate on housing issues. We are currently reviewing the grant-funded Housing Study, and defining the roles that the Housing Committee and the Planning Commission might play in reducing the housing shortage in Richmond. It seems useful to have a Planning Commissioner on the Housing Committee to review regulatory barriers to housing and direct advocacy towards achievable ends within the planning and zoning processes.

I continue to live in Richmond, and anticipate being able to attend future Housing Committee meetings. As mentioned, I also serve on the Planning Commission.

Thanks for your consideration.

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