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# Appointment of Daniel Schmidt to ACF Committee

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Hi, Josh,

Just wanted to send a confirmation to you that the ACF unanimously accepted the Conservation Committee recommendation and voted to recommend to the Selectboard that it formally appoint Daniel Schmidt to the ACF Committee. Can you please add this appointment to the January Selectboard meeting agenda?

Many thanks,

Jesse

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The Richmond Conservation Commission (RCC) recommends that Daniel Schmidt and Caitlyn Littlefield be appointed to the Andrews Community Forest Committee (SCFC).

This motion is made with the understanding that Caitlyn Littlefield has resigned as an alternate on the RCC.

The Richmond Conservation Commission does not believe that the ACFC has the authority to approve RCC nominations. RCC believes that authority rests with the Richmond Selectboard.



#### 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 <u>jarneson@RichmondVT.gov</u> or by placing it in the drop box outside the Town Office by April 14, 2021. Water & Sewer Commission applications are due June 2, 2021. Development Review Board (DRB) applications are due by March 31, 2021.

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_Daniel Schmidt\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_4/12/21\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_802-922-3560 Email Address: \_\_schmidt.danielpaul@gmail.com\_\_\_\_

Name of Commission/ Board/ Committee: \_\_\_\_\_Conservation Commission\_\_\_\_\_

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

Richmond Resident: (Y)/ N (circle one)

For hard copies or accessibility accommodations please contact: Josh Arneson at 434-5170 or jarneson@richmondvt.gov Thank you for considering my application to serve on Richmond's Conservation Commission. I've lived or worked in the Richmond/Huntington area for the last eight years and have a deep appreciation for the rivers, fields and forests in this part of the Green Mountains. I've worked in the field of conservation for twenty years and would bring to this position a passion for our local ecology and a collaborative spirit.

For the past five years, I've worked at the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps. In my current role, as the Chief Program Officer, I work closely with both our Conservation and Farm programs to create a dynamic experience that connects young people with the natural world. Prior to this, I was the Education Manager at the Green Mountain Audubon Center in Huntington, leading science education programs on topics ranging from Forest Management for Birds to Pond Ecology. And before that, I taught a variety of ecology classes at CCV including Field Biology, Wetland Ecology, and Environmental Science. The common thread that runs through these career paths is my desire to not just implement conservation projects but to engage a wide variety of people in those projects. Through the process of literally getting our hands dirty—pulling invasives, planting riparian trees, building erosion control structures— we create connections that have a lasting impact.

Prior to Vermont, I completed a PhD in Physical Geography from the University of California, Berkeley and spent many years researching the effects of climate change on tropical ecosystems. I also worked in a variety secondary and post-secondary schools and have a passion for facilitating experiences in the outdoors. My career path has always meandered between education and science, and I'm fortunate to have found a position at VYCC where I can wear both my educator hat and ecologist hat.

My interest in the natural world is always changing but birds and amphibians continually make it to the top of my list. The years I spent at Audubon helped me really see (and hear!) the bird life that constantly surrounds us. I also became fascinated by amphibians after my first night spent shuttling salamanders across Sherman Hollow Rd. Then again, I would love to be better at identifying dragon and damselflies. There are so many things to get excited about!

Thanks for reviewing my application and I look forward to hearing from you all.

Warmly,

Daniel Schmidt