

Town of Hinesburg, Vermont
Application form for Town Commission, Board, and Committee Appointments

Please supply answers to the following. The Town will provide access to a computer and printer for any applicant for the purpose of completing this form.

Name of Applicant: Dennis Place **Date:** 1/17/14

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Name of Commission, Board, or Committee: Planning Commission

Hinesburg Resident: Y N (circle one)

Hinesburg Resident for how long? 45 / NA

- 1) Review the Mission Statement of the Commission, Board, or Committee you are applying to serve on and explain how you will aid the group achieve said Mission.

Please see attached

- 2) Please share your thoughts about implementation of at least two of the Top Priority Goals and Recommendations in the latest Town Plan (Section 9, page 75), as it relates to the Commission, Board, or Commission on which you are applying to serve.

Please see attached

- 3) 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

- 4) Please introduce yourself to the Selectboard by providing a short cover letter and/or a resume.

1. I will work with the other members of the board to develop planning strategies for bringing this town into the future. My main objective is to listen to the people but also to work within the guidelines provided to us by the town plan. I am all about compromise. I believe my experience on the DRB will help with the planning process. I will be able to give insight on what the DRB would like to see to make it easier for us to make our decisions during the DRB process.

2. I would like to see the 15.4 acre Saputo site permanently zoned commercial so our town can benefit from new employment as well as adding money to our tax base. Hinesburg is mainly a bedroom community and really needs to promote commercial and mixed uses to help with the ever burdening cost of property taxes. I am glad affordable and reasonable priced housing is a top priority. Part of this should be housing for our elderly. Our population is getting older and the need for this type of housing will be in high demand. It would be nice for our seniors in Hinesburg to have affordable independent and assisted living housing options. We also need to make Hinesburg an affordable place for our children to raise their families.

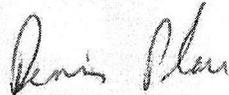
January 17, 2014

Dennis Place
190 Place Road West
Hinesburg, VT 05461

Dear Selectboard members,

I was born and raised in this tight knit, rural town of Hinesburg. I joined the DRB in 2007, and I am currently the Co-chairman. Recently, I also joined the Route 116 Corridor Committee. Through my involvement in both of these, I have not only seen this community struggle, but I have also watched it grow and develop over the years. Being a lifelong resident, I have a genuine dedication to the prosperity and success of this town, which can be seen through my punctuality of almost every board meeting. I truly enjoy being an active part of this community, and I would like to continue my efforts in the future planning of Hinesburg.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Place".

Dennis Place