

Megan Kearns



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Somerville Conservation Commission
Attn: Malik Drayton, Conservation Agent
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Malik Drayton,

I am writing to express my interest in joining the Somerville Conservation Commission for a three-year term. I have been working as a Wetland Scientist at Epsilon Associates, Inc. for over six years on a variety of projects, including licensing and permitting for energy projects, infrastructure and development projects, airports and real estate development, as well as smaller local development projects such as school renovations and residential home additions. I am well versed with local permits, such as Notices of Intent (NOIs), Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation (ANRADs), and Requests for Determination of Applicability (RDAs). I have presented in many public meetings, Conservation Commission hearings, and open houses. I am aware of the requirements for all local wetland permits when filing with the Conservation Commission. I work frequently with Conservation Commissions, contractors, and other environmental scientists in my job to see a project through the permitting and compliance phases and believe I can offer my expertise to the Somerville Conservation Commission.

In addition to being a wetland scientist, I have been a Somerville resident for over six years. I am invested in the City of Somerville and want to be involved with protecting the environment as well as coming up with great ideas for green space, community gardens, and other City green initiatives. In college, I received a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science and Geology. I also worked as an "EcoRep" (environmental representative) promoting green initiatives on campus, recycling, using local gardens and farms to source the cafeteria, and other projects. My educational background and experience as an EcoRep will bring relevant knowledge and communication skills to the Conservation Commission.

I look forward to discussing my candidacy for a position on the Conservation Commission with you. Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration. I hope to hear back from you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Megan Kearns".

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