



TOWN OF ACTON
472 Main Street
Acton, Massachusetts, 01720

VOLUNTEER COORDINATING COMMITTEE

On April 25, 2005 the Volunteer Coordinating Committee voted to recommend Sue Kennedy as a Planning Board Associate member with a one year term ending June 30, 2006.

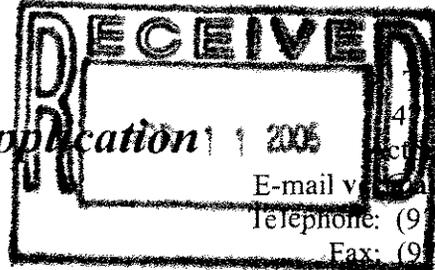
Sue Kennedy expressed an interest in serving on the Community Preservation Committee and on the Planning Board as an Associate. She is a Consultant and has training in Accounting.

Sue is a very busy person, but will not be continuing the recycling ministry work so will have time to serve the Town of Acton. She also feels she represents people in town who are not now represented on the Planning Board.

Nancy A. Whitcomb, VCC Chairman
April 26, 2005



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Volunteer Coordinating Committee

Residents interested in serving on a Town Board, Committee or Commission are asked to complete this form and forward it to the Office of the Town Manager at Town Hall.

(Please print or type)

Date April 11, 2005
April 11, 2005

Sue Kennedy

Name Title (Mr., Mrs., Dr., etc.) / First / Last / Suffix (Sr., Jr., III, etc.)

68 Parker Street

Address Number / Street

ridoken@aol.com

Contact E-mail Address / Telephone Number(s) (Home, Business, Cell, etc.)

Please refer to the other side of this sheet and indicate below, in order of preference, the Board, Committee or Commission that is of interest to you: Community Preservation Committee
Planning Board

Have you previously been a member of a Board, Committee or Commission (either in Acton or elsewhere)? If so, please list the Board name and your approximate dates of service:

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Do you have any time restrictions? No Are you a United States Citizen? Yes

How long have you lived in Acton? 21 years In Massachusetts? 21 years

Present occupation and employer (Optional: Attach résumé) Consultant

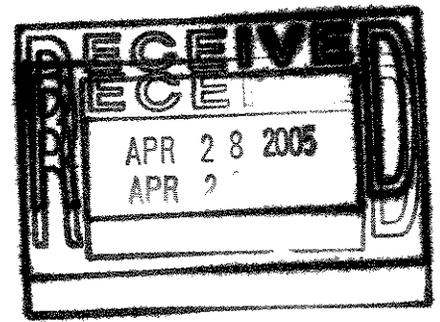
Do you or your employer have any current or potential business relationship with the Town of Acton that could create a conflict of interest? No

Education or special training: Accounting

Please list below any additional information or comments that may help in the matching of your interests with the most appropriate Board/Committee, such as civic experience, special interest/hobbies, etc.:

I am interested in Recreation, Open Space & Affordable Housing, implementing the Master Plan.
Acton Conservation Trust
Acton Democratic Town Committee, Chair
Household Goods Recycling Ministry, Incorporate, Bd of Dir
Together For Acton

Susan Mitchell-Hardt
Spring Hill Farm
328 Pope Road
Acton, Mass. 01720



April 27, 2005

Dear Acton Board of Selectmen:

I strongly recommend Susan Kennedy to be appointed to an Associate Position on the Town of Acton Planning Board.

I have known Sue for at least 16 years when two of our children were in kindergarten together at McCarthy Towne Elementary School. At that time little did we know that several years later when the demands of motherhood abated, that we would both emerge as community activists in different yet compatible areas.

I became aware of Sue in her "new" persona as the successful campaign manager for both State Senator Pam Resor and State Representative Jamie Eldridge. Her people skills, communication skills, organizational skills, and data base management skills are impressive. I was privileged to be a campaign volunteer on an occasional basis under Sue's supervision

We re-connected at Planning Board Meetings at a time when we were both curious to see how various town boards function. Through this exposure she independently increased her knowledge about planning and discovered a keen interest for the subject and its practical application in the community.

As an outgrowth of that interest she took the opportunity to become a member of the East Acton Village Planning Committee as it was an exciting chance to write a village plan. She mastered a number of planning complexities such as learning how to explain Floor Area Ratios to a lay person as well as Transfer of Development Rights, an important planning tool that we are optimistic will eventually be used in East Acton Village to protect the environment on the Nashoba Brook side of Great Rd.

Sue worked well with her fellow committee members because her views were fair and balanced, and she was always willing to listen to the other side. Partly as a result of her efforts, the East Acton Village Plan was approved unanimously at Town Meeting one year ago.

Most recently Sue was a Precinct Captain for the successful Together for Acton campaign to vote yes for the override of Proposition 2 1/2. The Precinct Captain is responsible for coordinating the efforts of approximately a dozen volunteers and keeping

them motivated to make calls and log the results in to the data base, which is later used to make phone calls on election day. Coordinating this type of effort is an important reason the campaign was successful.

As you can see, Sue has a long and successful history of working tirelessly on behalf of the town. She would be a dedicated workhorse on the Town of Acton Planning Board and will serve her community proud.

Sincerely,

Susan Mitchell-Hardt