

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

CITY OF WARWICK



RHODE ISLAND

FRANK J. PICOZZI
MAYOR

February 22, 2022

TO THE HONORABLE STEPHEN P. MCALLISTER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT
AND
THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE WARWICK CITY COUNCIL:

Pursuant to the Code of Ordinances
Of the City of Warwick, Zoning Sec. 311.2
Entitled

“HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION”

I hereby reappoint:

GINNY LESLIE
27 Post Road
Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Ward 1

Term to expire April 1, 2025

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.



Frank J. Picozzi
Mayor

2-22-22

Date

RESUME

Ginny Leslie
27 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02888

Employment History

December, 1987 to May, 1998

R.I. Department of Environmental Management
235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908

As a senior planner in the Division of Planning and Development, I worked on a variety of projects involving open space and recreational land preservation and park development. Projects included protection of environmentally sensitive lands along the Wood and Pawcatuck Rivers, the Blackstone River State Park (including restoration of the 1835 Kelly House), the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor, Earth Day activities, site visits and review of municipal applications for funding through the state Open Space and Recreational Area Development bond program, a management plan for Rhode Island's south shore, the 1991 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), review of natural resources and open space/recreation components of all municipal comprehensive plans, the Trails Advisory Committee, and the North South Trail. Activities included liaison work with municipalities and private groups, coordination with other state agencies (including the R.I. Historical Preservation Commission, on which I served as the RIDEM Director's representative) and other RIDEM divisions.

When the federal funding ran out for my position in Planning and Development, I worked as a Greenways Planner for the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission for 16 months. In 1997, I returned to the RIDEM office in Providence and served as a Public Information Specialist in the Office of Technical and Customer Assistance.

July, 1985 to December, 1987

Pawtuxet River Authority
P.O. Box 336, West Warwick, RI 02893

As Executive Director of the PRA, a state agency, I was responsible for most phases of the authority's operation. Duties included initiation and/or investigation of complaints of River pollution and resolution of problems with local and state officials; arrangement and supervision of clean-up operations, both volunteer and professional; supervision of design, implementation and maintenance of Riverwalk projects; preparation of annual budget and activities reports; publicity and public relations activities, including publication of Newstream, the PRA's newsletter; preparation of grant proposals; completion of a management plan identifying potential riverwalks, canoe access sites and significant natural areas along the River; and office management and supervision.

This was a part-time (15-20 hours per week) position, reporting to a 15-member Board of Directors:

January, 1984 to May, 1985
November, 1981 to May, 1983
January, 1980 to September, 1981
February, 1979 to July, 1979
October, 1978 to February, 1979
February, 1974 to June, 1978

Dodge Associates, Inc., Providence, RI
Thompson Associates, Warwick, RI
Lawrence & Brooks, Inc., Providence, RI
WLKW AM and FM, Providence, RI
WPRO AM and FM, East Providence, RI
Creamer, Inc., Providence, RI

For over 11 years, I worked at several advertising agencies and radio stations performing a variety of tasks in advertising, marketing and public relations. Duties included client contact, copywriting, layout and production of advertisements, brochures, catalogs, etc. with photographers, illustrators, typesetters and printers, and coordination of advertising schedules with newspapers, magazines, and radio and television stations.

Education

September, 1967 to June, 1971 Colby College, Waterville, ME

Graduated in the top quarter of the class with a BA degree in French, with minors in Spanish and religion/philosophy.

Other Activities

Pawtuxet River Authority, Board of Directors, representing Warwick
Pawtuxet Village Association, Member and former president
Friends of the Pawtuxet, Board of Directors
East Coast Greenway Alliance, Member of Rhode Island Committee

Past affiliations: Sierra Club Executive Committee
 Save The Bay Board of Directors
 Pawtuxet Land Trust Board of Directors
 City of Warwick Conservation Commission
 City of Warwick Historic District Commission

References furnished upon request