



**Residents Advisory Committee (RAC)
Tuesday, May 11, 2021
11:00 AM**

Link to Zoom video:

<https://amherstma.zoom.us/rec/share/0oKo7BWG99pfrqkvD-x5eVsu18XRozB5cx2efoYDk5ZOnIxcwXAn5qd3yj4dmHw.eEE2ADyMcqig4KJS>

Present: Dennis, K., Kruger, C., Pistrang, J.(Chair), Mills, A. (note taker)

Pistrang read the OML suspension statement re: Remote Participation

Video and Audio check - Dennis, Kruger, Mills and Pistrang all checked in and everyone could be heard.

Video of this meeting will be recorded to the Cloud. Video will be posted to Town of Amherst YouTube Channel by IT staff.

- 1. Meeting called to order at 11:06 AM by Chair Pistrang**
- 2. Approval of minutes from March 16, 2021 (draft)**

VOTED: Kruger, yes. Pistrang, yes. Dennis, yes. Unanimous approval of Minutes.

- 3. Interviews since March 16, 2021 – None**
- 4. Review of upcoming Interview Assignments – review of vacancies and upcoming vacancies for Boards/Committees/Commissions.**
 - Discussion of RAC members and reappointment – Kruger went for one year reappointment last year and will continue until we find someone to fill her spot.
 - Dennis and Pistrang will review their level of commitment and decide to be reappointed or not for another term.
 - RAC members are ready to stay for reappointment and appointment season.
 - Upcoming calendar for interviews. Mills mentioned having first round of interviews starting the week of May 24, 2021
 - Discussion included trying to increase public participation via outreach and maybe think about using the newspaper.
 - RAC members preferences will be considered
 - Pistrang did not express a preference
 - M-Thursday nothing after 2:00 PM, Fridays are good.

- ii. Kruger out of town next week but will return by end of May.
 - 1. Kruger will be “mop up batter” due to her availability
- iii. Dennis is back to work and is available in the mornings.

5. Follow up (if any) to March survey memo

- a. Pistrang has no follow-up on the memo
- b. Enhance the scope of committees during the interview process
- c. Did Town Manager share the results of the RAC follow-up survey with Councilors?

6. Public Comment – None

7. Other Items Not Anticipated by the Chair

- a. Substantive changes to “Appointed Committee Members Handbook”
- b. Kruger has offered to help with track changes to this document.

8. Adjourned at 11:23 AM - Unanimous