



**Town of Canton
Application for Committee Appointment**

The Town of Canton is fortunate to have a strong history of volunteerism and offers the opportunity for all residents to participate fully in the development of a thriving community.

Make the greatest impact by volunteering to serve on one of the Town's numerous Boards and Commissions. As a citizen advisor to the Town Board and Staff, you will have the chance to shape the future of Canton by contributing your expertise, ideas, and sweat! You will also gain valuable insight into various Town operations and learn about the formation and implementation of policy.

If you would like to be considered for a vacant seat on a Board or Commission, please fill out the below application and return it to Canton Town Hall, 58 Park Street, Canton, NC 28716 or fax it to (828) 646-3419. The Board of Aldermen/women is responsible for selecting all members. Selections will be made based on the information contained within your application. In some cases, an interview may be requested.

I am interested in serving on one of the following Boards/Commissions:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Appearance Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Adjustment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoholic Beverage Control Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Hope Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor Day Commission |

If applying for the Planning or Zoning Board and you reside in an Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) please indicate which district:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rough Creek Watershed | <input type="checkbox"/> Pigeon River Watershed, |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Old Asheville Highway | <input type="checkbox"/> Buncombe County side of Rough Creek Watershed |

A description of the functions of each Board and Commission are listed at the end of the application.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

(Work #) _____

Are you a resident of Canton? ____ Yes ____ No If "yes" how long? _____

1. Why do you want to serve on this Board of Commission?

2. Why do you think you would be an asset to this Board or Commission?

3. What qualifications or skills do you possess that you feel make you a good fit for this Board or Commission?

4. Describe any previous volunteer experience

5. Are there any conflicts of interest that would create problems or prevent you from fairly and impartially discharging your duties as an appointee? ____ Yes ____ No

If "Yes" please explain:

6. Boards or Committees presently serving on:

I would like to be considered for appointment to serve on a Town of Canton Board or Commission. I realize that the completion of this application, previous appointment to a Board or Commission, personal relationship with Town Staff or elected official, in no way guarantees that I will be appointed to a Board or Commission by the Town of Canton Board of Aldermen/women. Furthermore, I understand that if selected, I must commit to attend all the regular Board/Commission meetings and that attendance at the regular meetings shall be considered a prerequisite for maintaining membership on the Board/Commission.

Applicant's Signature

Date

I understand that this application will be kept on active file for one year only.

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Description of Town Appointed Boards and Committees

Recreation Commission: Provide, maintains, operates and supervises public parks, playgrounds, athletic fields and recreation centers and other recreational facilities owned or controlled by the Town or leased or loaned to the commission by the owners. Assists with the development of long range planning for programs and facilities.

Members: 10
Term: 2 years

Planning Board: Prepares and submits zoning ordinances and maps to the Town Board for consideration and possible adoption. The planning board may initiate from time to time, proposals for amendment of zoning ordinances, based upon its studies and comprehensive plan.

Members: 9 (4 members must reside within and represent the Haywood County side of the Rough Creek Watershed Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), Pigeon River Watershed ETJ, Old Asheville Highway ETJ, and the Buncombe County side of the Rough Creek Watershed)
Term: 3 years

Zoning Board of Adjustment: Hears hardship cases when a property owner is requesting a variance or is appealing a decision made by the Town's Planning Department. This board makes the final decision on the case being heard and is not heard by the Town's Aldermen/women.

Members: 9 (4 members must reside within and represent the Haywood County side of the Rough Creek Watershed Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), Pigeon River Watershed ETJ, Old Asheville Highway ETJ, and the Buncombe County side of the Rough Creek Watershed)
Term: 3 years

Historical Commission: Formulates ideas and concepts for historic preservation programs, projects and plans; and present recommendations to the Board of Alderman/women. Initiates, promotes and assists in the implementation of programs of historic significance in the Town. Oversees, coordinates and implements the historic preservation programs that will preserve buildings, records, documents, photographs, and other items of historical significance.

Members: 11
Term: 2 years

Community Appearance Commission: Formulates ideas and concepts for beautification programs and presents recommendations to the Board of Aldermen/women for approval. Initiates, promotes and assists in the implementation of programs of general community beautification in the Town. Oversees, coordinates and implements the streetscape program which shall include flower beds, Christmas lighting, gazebo and all beautification projects in the future.

Members: 9 (7 members must reside in Town corporate limits; up to 2 can live outside corporate limits, one of which shall be a business owner.

Term: 2 Years

Camp Hope Commission: Advise the Board of Aldermen/women and the Town Manager on the general management and long range planning pertaining to Camp Hope in order to support its preservation for public use in perpetuity and ensure proper stewardship.

Members: 9 (5 must reside within Town corporate limits; up to 4 can live outside corporate limits).

Term: 2 Years

Labor Day Commission: Advise the Town on the planning and production of the annual Labor Day festival

Members: 6

Terms: 2 Years

For further information please contact Canton Town Hall at 828-648-2363.