RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL			
Confirming the Mayor's Citizen Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions, Pursuant to 2-127 of the Municipal Code. Committee Action: N/A Fiscal Impact: $-0-			
File Number:	R-132-2021	**Date Introduced:**	August 24, 2021

WHEREAS, the Mayor has submitted citizen appointments for non-standing boards, committees, and commissions for the 2021-2022 term; and

WHEREAS, the appointments are as follows:

Sustainability Committee
Scott Taylor

Prairie Task Force Committee
Becca Mills
Jean Scoon

Commission on Aging
Dave Thomas

Therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Stoughton that the proper city official(s) confirm the Mayor's citizen appointments to non-standing boards, committees, and commissions.

Council Action: ☐ **Adopted** ☐ **Failed** **Vote** _____

Mayoral Action: ☐ **Accept** ☐ **Veto**

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Tim Swadley, Mayor Date

Council Action: _____ ☐ **Override** **Vote** _____

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Thank you for your interest!

Name: Scott Taylor		
Street Address: 601 Pleasant View Drive		
City: Stoughton	State: WI	Zip Code: 53589
Phone #: 608-444-7483	Email: sotaylor-1968@yahoo.com	
Aldermanic District (You can find your district by going to myvote.wi.gov): Town of Dunkirk		

Choose a Committee(s)	
__ Ad Hoc Whitewater Steering Committee	__ Public Safety Committee
__ Arts Council	__ Public Works Committee
__ Board of Appeals	__ Police & Fire Commission
__ Business Park North Committee	__ Redevelopment Authority
__ Cemetery Board	__ Rivers & trails Task Force
__ Commission on Aging	__ Seniors In Need Committee
__ Community Affairs/Council Policy (CACP)	__ Tree Commission
__ Finance Committee	__ Utilities Committee
__ Food Pantry Committee	X Other (please specify): Sustainability
__ Housing Authority	
__ Landmarks Commission	
__ Library Board	
__ Opera House Board	
__ Parks & Rec Committee	
__ Plan Commission	

Background (related experiences, skills or qualifications). You may also attach your resume:

See attachment

Why you are interested in this committee(s): See attachment

I am an ecologist and forester, and the owner and sole employee of Taylor Conservation LLC, an ecological consulting and forestry firm, which I have operated for 18 years. I have extensive experience investigating, planning for and managing natural areas in Wisconsin. I have prepared management plans for public conservancy parks in several Dane County municipalities.

My volunteer service has included sitting on the board of the Rock River Coalition, Inc. for 6 years (2008-2014), and serving as a commissioner on the Town of Dunn Land Trust Commission for 9 years (2012-2021).

My main interests in relation to environmental sustainability in the City of Stoughton are (1) protection of water quality and ecological integrity in the land development and redevelopment process, e.g. integration of native plants into storm water management and city-owned open spaces, and protection of existing habitats; and (2) adoption of Natural Climate Solutions, which are land management actions that increase carbon storage or avoid greenhouse gas emissions, in the city, e.g. studying the conversion of mowed turf to natural meadows and trees where possible, while carefully assessing public opinion of such actions and developing a strategy to develop public support before embarking on the conversion.

Scott Oxford Taylor
601 Pleasant View Drive
Stoughton, WI. 53589
(608) 444-7483
sotaylor@taylorconservation.com

Core Skills:

- Customer service & project management.
- Applied wetland ecology, i.e. wetland identification, assessment & delineation.
- Vegetation surveying & analysis.
- Natural area classification & mapping using.
- Ecological assessment of natural areas, establishment of management priorities, work plans and budgets.
- Native plant community restoration, including site analysis, planting design, control of existing vegetation, plant installation and use of prescribed fire.

Education:

University of Wisconsin-Madison.
M.S. in Forest Ecology and Management, August 1999. Emphasis in forest community ecology. Course work in ecology, botany, soil science, geomorphology, remote sensing and statistics.

University of Wisconsin-Madison.
B.A. in Anthropology, May 1992. Emphasis in cultural anthropology. Course work in geography and Spanish language and literature.

Professional History:

Taylor Conservation, LLC. Stoughton, WI. **Owner & Sole Employee.** July 2002-present.

- ⇒ Completed over 250 wetland delineations in Wisconsin as lead investigator. Earned Assured Delineator status in 2012.
- ⇒ Interpreted & explained wetland and waterway policy and regulations to property owners, real estate developers, attorneys, civil engineers & other professionals.
- ⇒ Performed wetland vegetation & hydrology monitoring for wetland mitigation projects & wetland permits.
- ⇒ Planned & led implementation of ecological restoration projects for private landowners, including native prairie establishment, invasive plant control & tree and shrub establishment.
- ⇒ Wrote ecological assessments & management plans for natural areas in municipal parks.
- ⇒ Wrote forest management plans focused on sustainable timber harvest for private landowners.
- ⇒ Established & oversaw sustainable timber harvests on private lands in southern Wisconsin.

Bureau of Forestry, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Madison, WI. **Associate Forestry Planner.** January 2001-July 2002.

- ⇒ Organized public participation process for the Wisconsin Statewide Forest Plan.
- ⇒ Coordinated technical input into the plan from multi-disciplinary Bureau of Forestry staff; organized and hosted "open house" public meetings.

Sauk County Department of Planning and Zoning. Baraboo, WI. **Planning Intern.** May 2000-December 2000.

- ⇒ Assisted with implementation of conservation easement program for forestlands in Baraboo Hills.
- ⇒ Developed survey and educational literature targeting forestland property owners.
- ⇒ Wrote sections of Smart Growth land use planning handbook for use by Sauk County town and village officials and citizens.

Volunteer Service:

Town of Dunn, Land Trust Commission. McFarland, WI. **Commissioner.** August 20012-Present.

- ⇒ Advised on policy for the Town of Dunn's nationally recognized Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) program.
- ⇒ Advised Land Conservation Director on the acquisition of PDRs from private landowners & the development of ranking criteria for properties.

Rock River Coalition. Jefferson, WI. **Board Member & President.** May 2008-May 2014.

- ⇒ Led board of directors in formulating organization policy & programs.
- ⇒ Created agendas and chair board meetings.
- ⇒ Supervised staff, fundraised, contributed articles to newsletter.
- ⇒ Provided technical assistance to Coalition chapter, Friends of Badfish Creek Watershed, in conservation planning and control of invasive plant species.

Training:

Advanced Wetland Delineation Training. (August 2006, Cable, WI.; July 2012, LaCrosse, WI.; August 2018, Wisconsin Rapids, WI – UW La Crosse Continuing Education).
Hydric Soils Identification. (June 2014, UW-Waukesha Field Station - University of Wisconsin, La Crosse Continuing Education & Extension).
Grass Ecology & Identification. (July 2011, Saukville, WI. – UW Milwaukee Field Station).
Aquatic Plant Ecology & Identification. (August 2009, Saukville, WI. – UW Milwaukee Field Station)
Planning, Site Selection, and Hydrology Models for Constructed Wetlands. (September 2006, Hickory Corners, MI. – Wetland Training Institute Inc.).
Wetland Plant Identification. (July 2003, Delafield, WI. – Biotic Consultants, Inc.) **Basic**
Basic Wetland Delineation Training. (August 2003, Wisconsin Rapids, WI. – UW La Crosse Continuing Education/Extension)

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Thank you for your interest!

Name: Jean Scoon		
Street Address: 1117 Hamilton St, Unit 101		
City: Stoughton	State: WI	Zip Code: 53589
Phone #: 320-492-7539	Email: jscoon1@gmail.com	
Aldermanic District (You can find your district by going to myvote.wi.gov): District 3		

Choose a Committee(s)	
___Ad Hoc Whitewater Steering Committee	__Public Safety Committee
___Arts Council	__Public Works Committee
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___Cemetery Board	__Rivers & trails Task Force
___Commission on Aging	__Seniors In Need Committee
___Community Affairs/Council Policy (CACP)	☑ Stoughton Prairies Task Force
___Finance Committee	__Tree Commission
___Food Pantry Committee	__Utilities Committee
___Housing Authority	__Other (please specific): _____
___Landmarks Commission	
___Library Board	
___Opera House Board	
___Parks & Rec Committee	
___Plan Commission	

Background (related experiences, skills or qualifications).

I don't have a background directly related to this task force. I have a career background in business management, marketing and communications. I've volunteered for a variety of conservation/outdoor-related initiatives, including Recycle in Princeton (Massachusetts), Friends of Lake Wobegon Trail board member 2016-2019 and Our Mississippi Our Future (OMOF) 2019-20. Both the last in St. Cloud, MN.

Why you are interested in this committee(s):

I love prairies and the ecosystem they support. I want to help the ones we have to thrive. All of these kinds of initiatives on land and water are part of ~~healer~~ making climate change less disastrous. We can only do it working together like this.

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Thank you for your interest!

Name: Rebecca Mills		
Street Address: 216 S Morris St		
City: Stoughton	State: WI	Zip Code: 53589
Phone #: 9209482702	Email: beccgeist@gmail.com	
Aldermanic District (You can find your district by going to myvote.wi.gov): 2		

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___Ad Hoc Whitewater Steering Committee	__Public Safety Committee
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Experienced in landscaping and outdoor work- worked full time as a landscaping crew member at Schonheit Gardens, Sun Prairie in 2017 and 2018
Strong interest in native landscapes, plant identification
Familiar with common invasive species of Southern WI

Why you are interested in this committee(s):

I do a lot of walking around town and at Lake Kegonsa State Park, where I like to point out different plants to my husband and/or friends, but I think my husband and friends would appreciate if I had a different outlet for my enthusiasm. I am eager to learn more about native landscapes, but I feel that I already come with the base knowledge that serving on the task force could build upon.
I have been a Stoughton resident for 2 years now and would like to be more involved in my community.