
Profile

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Question applies to multiple boards

I am a resident of the Town of Palm Beach (Initial below)

JMZ

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Please attach proof of Town of Palm Beach residency. Failure to attach proof of residency shall be grounds to reject your application. Proof of residency shall be either a copy of your Florida's Driver's License matching the address of your residence as shown on this application, a copy of a utility bill in your name at the residence address shown on this application, or by providing an original, fully executed and notarized Declaration of Domicile with this application.

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Please upload proof of residency

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Shore Protection Board: Submitted

In what area of town do you live?

☒ North

Interests/Experience

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Why are you interested in serving on the Shore Protection Board?

Our current residence in Palm Beach is on the coast and we were able to observe first hand the most recent coastal restoration project which generated an interest in serving on the Shore Protection Board.

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How many meetings of the Shore Protection Board have you attended in the last year?

One -November 2, 2022

Please indicate if there are any periods of time for which you will be unavailable for meetings.

I reside in northern Michigan in the summer months but would be willing to either fly down for mandatory meetings or join in virtually as necessary.

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If you have served on any boards/commissions/committees in the Town of Palm Beach or elsewhere, please list them and include details such as length of service, attendance record, etc.

No previous service.

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Please list your qualifications specifically relevant to shore protection, including any degrees or certifications you possess.

I earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering and I am currently a licensed Profession Engineer (Civil/Environmental Concentrations). Additionally I have spent the previous two years attending Cooley Law School in Lansing Michigan with intentions to complete a law degree specializing in property and environmental law.

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Please describe your experience with the design and/or construction of coastal protection projects.

I participated with the most recent shore restoration project by granting the necessary construction easements and observing the daily construction activities of the project.

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Please describe any particular knowledge or experience you may have regarding alternative or emerging shore protection technology or coastal management processes.

I spent over 30 years working in the waste and renewable energy fields working on the design and implementation of projects across the country and evaluating new and emerging technologies along the way. Open minded and out of the box thinking may be helpful in evaluating relevant shore protection technology or coastal management processes.

Are you a member of any of the following organizations? (Check all that apply)

None Selected

Present Occupation

Principal of JMZ Development

No. of years

4

Past occupation(s)

Engineer/Project Manager/President/Chief Operating of the Granger Companies (see attached resume)

No. of years

15 years

Please provide details regarding your educational background:

See attached Resume

Joel Zylstra Resume 10-16-22.docx

Upload a Resume

Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a crime other than minor traffic violations?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If you are currently serving on a Town board, commission, or committee, please identify in the space below and check the "I Agree" box indicating that you will resign from that position if you are appointed to the position you are seeking in this application.

I agree that I will resign from the board, commission, or committee if I am appointed to the position I am seeking in this application.

☒ I Agree

To enable Town Council to consider potential conflicts of interest, please list the family members who live and/or work in the Town of Palm Beach, including your spouse, parents, siblings or children.

Spouse- Linda Zylstra

Demographics

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The following information is needed to facilitate Town reporting requirements in Florida Statute 760.80. Please check one in each category.

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Ethnicity

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender

☒ Male

Physically Disabled

☐ Yes ☒ No

I hereby certify that I have read the sections of the Town Code of Ordinances for the particular board/commission/committee that I have selected above and have noted the description of the board/commission/committee and its members' duties, and further I have read the regulations concerning absences and conflicts of interests. I certify the information given by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any falsification of material facts will be grounds for rejection of this application of dismissal after appointment.

☒ I Agree

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Please attach proof of Town of Palm Beach residency (as listed above) with this application.

Please note that Board/Commission applications will expire on December 15 each year.

SHORE PROTECTION BOARD

The Shore Protection Board acts in an advisory capacity and makes recommendations to the Town Council in matters relating to shore protection, coastal management, beach nourishment, coastal armoring, the sand transfer plant, and matters relating to the Town's Lake Worth lagoon shoreline. The scope of the Board shall include long term planning, budgeting, lobbying, public education, and intergovernmental coordination. Members of the Board shall possess knowledge of or interest in shore protection, coastal management, and/or beach nourishment. The Board shall be composed of seven members to be appointed by the Town Council. Members of the Board shall serve for terms of three years. Each member of the Board is required to be a resident of the Town of Palm Beach, except that one member of the Board may be a non-Town resident who possesses specific knowledge or skills directly related to shore protection, coastal management, and beach nourishment. The Board shall hold at least four meetings per year and more if deemed necessary.

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EDUCATION

Western Michigan University Cooley Law School- Lansing, MI (Attended September 2020 -September 2022)

Juris Doctor: Business Law Concentration, Anticipated May 2024/ Dean's List -all completed terms

Calvin University - Grand Rapids, MI

Bachelor of Science: Civil/Environmental Engineering, August 1987

WORK HISTORY

Business Owner/Operator, 08/2017 to Current

JMZ Development – Lansing, MI

Southside High-Btu LLC - Formed a new partnership to develop, own, and operate a state-of-the-art renewable natural gas processing plant in Indianapolis, Indiana. (Design Capacity: 4,000 SCFM)

Delamar Traverse City LLC - Entered a partnership to develop, own, and operate a boutique style hotel property in Traverse City, Michigan

PA Land Holdings LLC – Formed a new company and partnership to prospectively develop, own, and operate a state-of-the art renewable natural gas processing plant in Eastern U.S. (Design Capacity: 6,000 SCFM- Currently in negotiation stages)

President/Chief Operating Officer, 01/2001 to 08/2017

Granger Energy Services – Lansing, MI

Successfully grew an innovative renewable energy company from one local project to a national company consisting of 17 operating projects with annual revenue exceeding \$44 million. Position involved forming and leading a team of professionals to manage all aspects of the company. Direct development responsibilities included strategic planning, marketing, and negotiations with municipalities, corporations, and private landowners. Legal responsibilities included interfacing with licensed attorneys to create, negotiate, and execute all types of agreements necessary for successful project development.

Managed directly all aspects of the successful sale of the Energy Services company including marketing, solicitation of qualified bidders, evaluation of offers, and all due diligence prior to closing. Negotiated directly with acquiring company leadership team to ensure that every associate was able to make the transition from Seller to Buyer under equal or better terms.

Project Manager/Vice President of Operations, 01/1991 to 12/2000

Granger Energy Services – Lansing, MI

Formed and managed a team of technicians to safely operate multiple gas processing facilities. Responsibilities included: supervision of all field associates, plant performance monitoring, safety programs, and financial accounting for the division.

Project Engineer, 06/1987 to 12/1990

Granger Waste Services – Lansing, MI

Designed and managed construction projects for two distinct landfills in Lansing, Michigan. Responsibilities included creation of drawings and specifications necessary for the design, permitting, and construction of landfill cells.

Waste Acceptance/Well Field Technician, 06/1986 to 08/1986

Waste Management – Fort Lauderdale, FL

Interfaced with incoming waste customers and inspected incoming waste loads. Operated heavy equipment for use in waste management activities and maintained one of the first active gas collection systems in the country.

PROJECTS

Wood Road Direct-use and Electrical Generation Facility (Granger Landfill #1 -Lansing Michigan)

Grand River Electrical Generation Facility (Granger Landfill #2 -Lansing Michigan)

Ottawa Electrical Generation Facility (Republic Landfill -Coopersville Michigan)

Grand Blanc Electrical Generation Facility (Republic Landfill -Grand Blanc Michigan)

Seymour Road Electrical Generation Facility (Waste Management Landfill -Montrose Michigan)

Brent Run Electrical Generation Facility (Waste Connection Landfill -Montrose Michigan)

Pinconning Electrical Generation Facility (Republic Landfill -Pinconning Michigan)

Lake County Direct-Use Facility (Municipal Landfill -Painesville, Ohio)

South Side Direct-Use Facility (South Side Landfill -Indianapolis, Indiana)

Hancock Electrical Generation Facility (Municipal Landfill -Hancock County Ohio)

Kent County Electrical Generation Facility (Municipal Landfill -Byron Center Michigan)

Watervliet Electrical Generation Facility (Orchard Hill Landfill -Watervliet Michigan)

Honeybrook Direct-Use and Electrical Generation Facility (Municipal Landfill -Honeybrook, Pennsylvania)

Morgantown Direct-Use and Electrical Generation Facility (Republic Landfill -Morgantown, Pennsylvania)

Decatur Direct-Use and Electrical Generation Facility (Municipal Landfill -Decatur, Alabama)

South Jordan Electrical Generation Facility (Municipal Landfill -South Jordan, Utah)

South Side High-Btu Renewable Natural Gas Facility (South Side Landfill -Indianapolis, Indiana)

LICENSES

Licensed Professional Engineer-State of Michigan

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (CURRENT OR PRIOR)

Granger Executive Board of Directors

Elder-Omena Presbyterian Church

Capital Area United Way Board of Directors

Clerk of Session-Omena Presbyterian Church

Lansing Christian School Board of Directors

Capital Angel Group Member

Lansing Christian Foundation Board of Directors

Calvin University Engineering Mentor