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Allison Knab appointed to fill vacancy on Stratham Select Board

The Stratham Board of Selectmen announces the selection of Allison Knab to fill a vacancy on Board of Selectmen after their meeting on December 10, 2018. The vacancy occurred as a result of Selectman Robert O’Sullivan’s resignation a week prior.

In accordance with both RSA 669:61 & 63, the remaining Selectmen appointed Ms. Knab to fill the vacancy during the interim between now and the March 2019 Town Meeting. At the 2019 March Town Elections, voters will be asked to vote for a candidate to fill the remainder of Mr. O’Sullivan’s term, which will be for two years.

Ms. Knab has served on the Conservation Commission for nearly 10 years, acting as Chair for several years as well as Secretary. During that time, she has worked on conservation easements, large development plans, the town clean-up day, and other projects with impacts on the town's natural resources. She also had the privilege of being part of many ad-hoc and subcommittees, working on such projects as the Smyk property bequest, the town forestry management plan, and a review of town wetland regulations. Ms. Knab also served as an Alternate Library Trustee for a period and is very involved at Stratham Memorial School, where her younger daughter is in fourth grade.

Ms. Knab is currently the Executive Director of the Great Bay Stewards, a non-profit organization that serves as a friends group to the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve.

Chairman Michael Houghton stated, “The other Board members are excited to begin working with Ms. Knab during this critical period of the year that leads up to the 2019 Town Meeting. She brings many leadership attributes needed in this interim period as we begin work on the 2019 budgets, Town Warrant, start the selection process for a new police chief, and other priorities of the Town. Further, Allison brings greater diversity to the Board, which has been absent for quite some time, and we welcome that perspective.”

On behalf of the Town of Stratham, the Board of Selectmen welcomes Ms. Knab to the Board and thanks her for her willingness serve in this capacity.

Michael Houghton, Chair
Board of Selectmen