



April 9, 2018

When assuming the position of Mayor on April 2nd, 2018, the position I previously held of Village Trustee was vacated. It now falls to me as Mayor to appoint a replacement until a special election can be held in March of next year.

Several names were considered, all of them capable in their own ways and in their own rights, making it abundantly clear that we are fortunate to live among neighbors who can all serve the Village in a variety of potential roles. It also became equally clear that the interests of the Village of Trumansburg will be best served not by an appointment based on optics or politics, but by the appointment of an individual with the desire to serve ALL of the interests of the Village; an individual who wants to grow into an office that requires a need to learn and absorb the intricacies of municipal governance; and an individual who accepts the reality that this Board and its members play an important role in the effective day-to-day management of the Village.

Keith Hannon, my selection for Village Trustee, checks all of these proverbial boxes, having spent the better part of the last year learning about every level of municipal government, examining the duties and responsibilities therein, and also coming to realize the important place that Trumansburg holds in our region.

This selection also rounds out a Board which should, ideally, be a balanced representation of our community, not based on opinions of the hot topic of the day, but based on everything that the people of this Village ARE – people who have lived here for over three decades, raising families in the process; people who call Trumansburg their childhood home and are now putting roots down even further; and people who have found their home here relatively recently. This reflection of the makeup of the community will provide both the balance as well as the differences between the past, present and future that the Village of Trumansburg needs as it looks to blend its heritage with its evolution.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority vested in the office of Mayor by NY State Law, I hereby appoint Mr. Hannon to the vacant position of Village Trustee.

It is so ordered.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rordan Hart".

Rordan Hart, Mayor
Village of Trumansburg