



VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The Flat Rock Village Council invites all Village of Flat Rock residents to participate in governmental decision-making by serving as a member of a board or committee. Volunteers serve an important role in the functioning of our village, and you can help ensure better government in our village by volunteering some of your time.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Fax: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____

Please specify if there are any restraints on the time you can devote to village activities.

Educational background, special qualifications, related-work experience, etc.: _____

Do you have a strong preference to serve on a particular board or committee? _____

List any appointed positions that you currently hold in Henderson County: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

We do not know when we will have need of your talent, but rest assured that we appreciate your application. Please return to The Village of Flat Rock, P.O. Box 1288, Flat Rock, NC 28731.

Planning Board – Meets the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. The board consists of members appointed by the village council. The term of a Planning Board member is three years. The board advises and makes recommendations to the village council regarding proposed land development plans, subdivision applications, and other development requests.

Board of Adjustment – Meets on an as-needed basis. The board hears variance requests, conditional use applications, and zoning appeals. Under the laws of the State of North Carolina, counties and municipalities are given the authority to zone property within the municipal limits. The Village of Flat Rock has developed its own zoning ordinance known as the Land Development Ordinance (LDO). The village Zoning Administrator (ZA) is responsible for interpreting and enforcing the ordinance. From time to time, questions and/or disputes may arise from decisions made by the ZA. If a decision is appealed, the Board of Adjustment (BOA) is responsible for hearing the case and making a decision regarding the appeal. In addition, the BOA grants variances from requirements of the LDO, interprets disputed lot lines or district boundaries, and deals with similar questions.

Park Commission – Works on development, management, and maintenance of the Park at Flat Rock. The Park Commission consists of five to seven members appointed by the village council, serving three-year terms. The commission assists in identifying volunteer activities that would enhance the park, develops policies, reviews design of all structures in the park, and addresses council and citizen concerns.

Transportation Advisory Committee – Meets quarterly to advise the village council, the Henderson County Transportation Advisory Committee, and the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization Board on matters related to transportation that affect the village. The committee assesses the transportation needs of the village and advocates for methods that protect the village's historic character when addressing any transportation issues. It consists of five members, one of whom is the council member responsible for transportation oversight and four appointed by the council for three-year terms.

Historic Landmarks Commission – Consists of three council members appointed by the mayor and two community representatives appointed by the council. The commission establishes a historic landmarks inventory, recommends the designation of historic landmarks to the village council, and considers requests for proposed changes to historic landmarks.

Kudzu Committee – Works to control kudzu on private properties within the village. Members of the committee (unlimited in number) are appointed by the village council.

Office Back-up – Receptionist-like duties. Notification may be short.

Other – From time to time, village council needs input from people of various educational and professional backgrounds who would be acting in the role of consultants.

If you are willing to share your expertise, please complete the volunteer application.