

CAT Member Name Why they were selected for the CAT

Karen Conlon

Karen raised her family in Lambertville and served on the Board of Education during the time they were considering the multi-million-dollar referendum for facility improvements for SHRHS. She was chosen for her deep roots in the community and her ability to get to the heart of the question that residents need asked.

John Franzini

John was selected for his interest in helping to analyze and find solutions to all of the issues raised by the City's current community development proposal. John has lived within Lambertville for over 33 years and has also served on a community group that helped to pass a multi-million dollar referendum to make improvements at SHRHS whose functions were similar to those expected of this advisory team.

Beth Ann Gardiner

Beth was selected because in the early 1990's she helped form a small group called the Land Use Forum that discussed development plans of the former high school site with property owners. The Land Use Forum spent time walking the city, looking at its various properties and uses, trying to find a way to make any new development on the hill compatible with (and connected to) the downtown area. In the late 90's, Beth worked with a group to help inform residents of planned development at the Lambertville Station. At that time, a "mall" with various chain stores and an ice-skating rink were proposed to be developed. The group helped to engage the community to give productive feedback to the various boards and the developer. Shortly thereafter, Beth was appointed to the planning board in (approximately) 1999 and remained an active member for about 12-15 years. As one of the only "lay people" on the board, she learned a lot about planning, negotiating, listening and problem solving.

Michele Glassburg

Michele has worked for the New Jersey Business & Industry Association whose membership was and is mostly small businesses. She currently works for New Jersey Future whose mission is to advance smart, efficient and equitable growth in already built areas - such as urban areas and small towns like Lambertville. She understands the critical needs of maintaining a business environment that will be attractive to businesses (and their very important tax contributions) and that residents and visitors come here for the unique offerings of those businesses and restaurants and do not want to see commercialization by larger companies and chains. Michele is personally and professionally committed to smart growth.

Sarah Gold

Sarah was chosen as a Chair for this board because of her educational background - bachelor's degree in community, environment, and development; master's degrees in education and social work; and a PhD in social work. This background provides Sarah with a great deal of knowledge about community development, working with stakeholders, and education. As a social work researcher, she focusses on low-income kids' living conditions (among these: material hardship, housing hardship, and neighborhood factors) and how policies can improve these conditions. Sarah teaches a masters of social work course at Rutgers on Poverty, Inequality, Public Policy, and Discrimination She also has direct

experience with affordable housing development, and has worked as an assistant project manager for Habitat for Humanity Newark for 4 years building safe, decent, affordable housing. Sarah is confident that with her background she will be able to communicate with a broad audience.

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Michelle Harris

Michelle was selected for her engineering expertise in design and construction, public policy development, public funding analysis. We hope that she will work to be a community liaison and facilitate community conversation.

Sandra Harris

Sandra was selected because of her volunteer work surrounding our flooding issues and Community Rating System. She also has a unique ability to communicate the most important points of arguments. She has many years of experience managing in complex organization.

Cynthia Jahn

Cyndy was selected because she is a commissioner on the Environmental Commission; a member of the Lambertville Historical Society; co-leader of the civil rights action team, Indivisible Lambertville New Hope; a practicing attorney with COAH and has considerable land use experience and more recently practicing in the public education policy and law space.

Robert Jordan

Rob is a civil engineer and was selected for his background in development that will provide the CAT with a commonsense approach to good planning and development.

Shirley Kessler

Shirley has volunteered with the ACME screening room for over 10 years. She has experienced firsthand what non-profit's in our community needs from our City Facilities. She also provides perspective as someone that has been in the heart of contentious issues and wants to serve as consensus builder.

Paul Kuhl

Paul was selected since he is currently the Chairman of the Planning Board which he has been a member of for approximately 30 years. As a CPA his core-competency is understanding and communicating about budgeting.

Janine MacGregor

Janine was selected since she should we like to be a part of the City's future. She currently sits as the chair of the Municipal Utility Authority and is familiar with infrastructure planning in the City. She believes the City should be soliciting input, communicating, and resolving issues, and planning and implementing decisions.

Deborah Monigan

Deborah was selected for her interest in balancing the historical significance of our community and the requirement to fulfill mandated obligations.

Andrew Nowick

Andrew was chosen for his interest in helping the city meet its affordable housing obligations while seeking the consensus and support of its residents through effective and impartial communication.

Lita Sands

Lita was selected because she would like to be an ambassador to the community, providing the facts and representing the voice of the residents. She is particularly interested in the environmental impact of these plans.

Louis Toboz

Lou was selected because he has been the city historian for over twenty years. He has a deep understanding of the history of the city. He has served on several other commissions and boards including the historic preservation commission. He previously served on a facility review committee decade ago and is interested in continuing his work. As a social worker he has experience working with diverse populations.

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Gary Toth

Gary was selected for his 47 years of working in transportation, land use and placemaking. He was essential in the Rt 29 Road Improvement Project for the City of Lambertville. Virtually all of his experience involved public engagement and can share some lessons learned.

Jane Wesby

Jane has been a resident of Lambertville for over 20 years and is currently the Vice Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and on the Board of the Delaware River Towns Chamber of Commerce. Jane knows the City intimately through her involvement with the Lambertville Historical Society (former board member and current advisory board member), the Kalmia Club (former board member), The Acme Screening Room (former President and current advisory board member) as well as her current involvement previously stated with the Zoning Board and Chamber. Plus, she brings 20 years + experience in real estate development to the table.

Lauren Young

Lauren was selected since she is the Board of Education representative and is a lifelong advocate for community building with seven years experience in teaching, student outreach, and educational programming.

Michael Zhadanovsky

Michael was selected for his perspective of a young, new resident who understands how expensive it can be for many to live in this town. He is a communications professional, working in a high-pressure work environment, dealing with various different interests as well as many reporters. He will bring a

fresh perspective to the team, and that of someone that understands how to explain policies and their impacts to a large audience.