

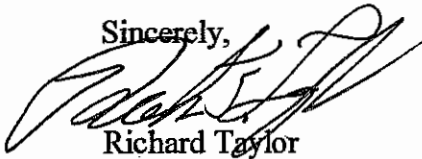
Richard Taylor
4328 North Marlborough Drive
Shorewood, WI 53211

Guy W. Johnson
Village President
Village of SHOREWOOD
3930 N. Murray Avenue
Shorewood, WI 53211

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Please find my application for an appointive seat on the Shorewood Village Board of Trustees. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the application. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Taylor', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Richard Taylor



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VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD
MANAGER'S OFFICE

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Please complete the following form and return it to the Village Manager's Office by **May 26, 2006**. If you have any questions, please contact either Guy W. Johnson, Village President at 332-2475 or Chris Swartz, Village Manager at 847-2700.

Name: Richard Taylor

Home Address: 4328 W Marlborough Dr.

Home Phone 963-1488 Office Phone 943-0314 Occupation stay-at-home father

Why do you want to serve on the Village Board? please see attached

Are you familiar with the duties and responsibilities of the Village Board? yes

Have you observed any Village Board meetings? see attached

Please list what you believe are the three (3) greatest challenges the Village of Shorewood will face in the next five (5) years and your ideas for meeting these challenges. see attached

Please list any current or previously held elective or appointive public positions. see attached

Describe briefly your education and any work experience or other activity which in your opinion would be beneficial in carrying out the responsibilities of this office.

see attached

Are you engaged in activities that would result in your inability to be available for evening meetings required as a Village Board member.

NO

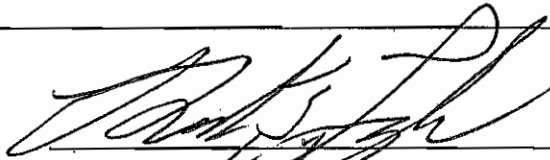
List other organizations of which you are a member.

see attached

If not selected for an appointment to the Board of Trustees, would you consider serving on a Village Commission, Committee, or Board?

yes

Signature



Date

5/25/06

Thank you for your interest. Please return this form with a resume (if available) and/or a letter of interest to:

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Why do you want to serve on the Village Board? I sense an opportunity to help build on the comity evidenced by the recent election. Public service has been part of my experience in Shorewood having served on the School Board for several years.

Have you observed any Village Board meetings? I was present at many board meetings a few years ago. However, as the enmity and tension rose on the Village Board I found the meetings to be quite uncomfortable and stopped attending.

Three Greatest Challenges facing the Village Board:

1. Informing and convincing the public on the necessity of village spending to keep the quality of life we are accustomed to in Shorewood. There is no magic bullet to accomplish this objective but a village board that can find commonality on budget issues will then allow the board to educate the residents.
2. Keeping a vigilant eye on state government in order to preclude any TABOR like legislation that would cripple our village. I would imagine that Shorewood belongs to a municipal lobbying group in Madison but I would like to use the north shore communities as a bloc to personally lobby our legislators and the legislature in general.
3. Working with the Shorewood School District to help fund needed programs that may be curtailed due to revenue caps and declining enrollment. Specifically, I would like the Village to involve itself more in helping the Recreation Department fund after school programs for upper elementary grades and middle school. If appointed, this would be a committee I would like to set up and chair.

Current of Previously held elective or appointive positions:

I have served on various parent committees with the Shorewood public schools over the 16 years I have lived in the village. Committees such as: parent input on textbooks, parent representative on hiring at Lake Bluff, strategic planning committee.

I served on the Shorewood School Board for almost two terms in the late 1990's early 2000's. I resigned so my wife could apply for the position Director of Curriculum and Instruction of the school district. I did not want a hint of a conflict of interest.

Education and Work Experience: I have masters in history from Marquette University and completed course work for a PhD. I have run a department at the university level as Coordinator of Interdisciplinary Studies at UW Parkside. I was in charge of curriculum

planning, hiring, budgeting and served on various university committees. I resigned four years ago to become a stay-at-home father and do some individual work.

While my education has been in the liberal arts I think my background has prepared me to serve on the Village Board. I am well read and have eclectic tastes running from fiction to works on civic government. I am curious and thoroughly enjoy learning new subjects. As both a teacher and administrator I have developed strong interpersonal skills which would be invaluable on a board such as this.