

# **Volunteer Application**

Appointments for the City of Kingsport volunteer boards and commissions take place semi-annually in April and October, with applications being accepted in February for April appointments, and August for October appointments. Applications received late or for boards without vacancies will be held on file for one calendar year in case of unexpected vacancies.

Name Bill Sumner

E-mail

**Phone Number** 

**Address** 

Do you live within the Kingsport City Limits?

Length of Residency:

**Employer:** Bell Helicopter

Employment Status: Full Time

**Occupational Background:** 

Mechanical engineer

**Educational Background:** 

BSME Tenn Tech MBA ETSU

Thank you for your interest in serving the City of Kingsport. Please be aware of the meeting frequency, dates and times as well as characteristics of members before choosing which board you would like to serve on. Appointment to a board or commission will require your consistent attendance at regularly scheduled meetings.

Board of Zoning Appeals

A description of each board/commission and the characteristics of members can be found here.

Yes

65 years



Have you ever applied to serve on a Kingsport board or commission?



If you served on a board or commission in the past, which one and how many terms did you serve?

BZA. several. 10+ years

## Reason for Applying:

Would like to continue on the board. We have done an excellent job working with all applicants with solid decisions backed up by facts. It is very rewarding to play a small part in growing the city

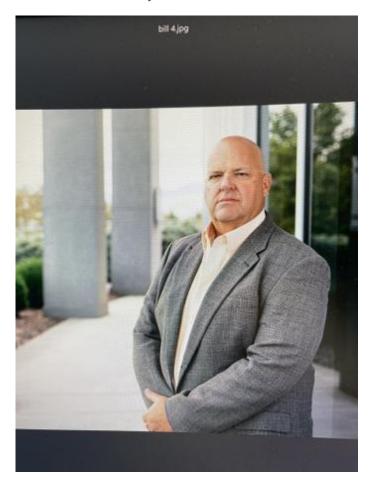
# Relevant Experience:

Engineering background helps a lot Past few years have been very educational. I have a very good grasp of how the board functions.

## **Community Involvement:**

Board Kingsport Salvation Army, Kingsport Inventor Center, Kingsport Chamber of Commerce; President St Luke Methodist Church Inc. several years on NETWORKS with 4 years as chairman.

Please upload a recent biography and a professional photo.





#### William P. Sumner R.E.

Bit Summer is a native and life-long resident of Kingsport. He graduated from Dobyns Bennett in 1978, where he played football and was a harbonal Merit Serial Finalist. Since graduating with honors in Mechanical Engineering from Tennessee Tech University, 68 thes held engineering, engineering management and manufacturing management positions most notably with Texas Instruments, Raythson Massie Systems and Aleman-SSF. He received to MRA from East Tennessee State in 1990, and has over thirty years of management, business and manufacturing experience which has lad to technology and financial success. He is a registered professional engineer in Tennessee, as well as a SS Sigma Black Sett, Bit most receiving served as the SF. Engineering Manager for Best Testron in Pinny Plats. He has received multiple innovation awards, the Larry Best Pinneer Award and the Testron Chairman's Award for Innovation, and is a graduate of Sestion's Growth Leadership Program at The Otio State University. He holds so United States Patents in the areas of Hescopter Design.

Bill currently serves Kingsport as Charman of the Board of Zoning Appears and is past Board Chairman of NETWORKS Sciliven County Pertnership, serving for four years after several years as a board member. He also serves on the boards for Greater Kingsport Servation Army. The Inventor Center and the Kingsport Charmeter of Commerce Foundation/KOSBI Chair. He is a past member of the Kingsport Farmers Market, providing landscaping trees to the convening for many years.

Bit is a detainemember of St. Like's Methodist Church on Center St., serves on the administrative board and is President of the Corporate Board.

He has two grown children, Sarah Simerly of Johnson City and Will Summer of Portland OR, and is a proud grandfather.

