

**Christine Montague
Town Board Member Report
January 2026**

Conservation Advisory Council Interviews, Dec 16 & 18

- Two current members joined Ruth Groff and myself to interview candidates for 3 open and 3 returning positions on the CAC.

Zoning Advisory Committee Interviews, Dec 15

- Two current members joined Judy Drake and myself to interview candidates for 1 open and 1 returning position on the ZBA.

Lansing Business Alliance, Dec 30

- The Alliance asked me to invite Shaun Logue from the MRB Group to explain the services he and the other planners from MRB can provide while we conduct our search for a new planner. Ruth Groff attended as well and described how we hope to make the Planning Dept accessible, efficient and service-oriented.
- Shaun will be involved in Planning Board and ZBA application reviews and will go to those board meetings. Jessica from MRB will be in the office 3 days a week performing administrative reviews and updating the OpenGov portal. MRB will support the code update by helping with the Department of State grant reporting process.
- The Business Alliance asked for the Planning Department to fix the deadlines for application submissions and resubmissions, so delays are minimal. They also said that the portal is difficult for people who are less computer-savvy and asked if paper applications could be more accessible. They asked if construction managers can call code officer cell phones to more quickly get inspections done.
- The Alliance stressed open communication with the Town and is drafting a letter to the Town Board with ideas to leverage the experience and talent in the Alliance.
- The Business Alliance discussed hosting one of the Interfaith and Community Dish to Pass meals, and are holding a pancake breakfast with proceeds going to the Food Pantry.