



## APPLICATION FOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Attached is information about serving on the Minturn DDA Board.

Each member serving on a commission or board must reside in the Town of Minturn.

If you are interested in serving on a commission or board, please complete the application and return it to Minturn Town Hall, or to the appropriate email address as noted below. Thank you for your interest in serving your community.

- **Planning Commission**

Number of members: 5 members, as detailed below  
Length of term: 4 years, following initial terms (initial terms are staggered)  
Meeting date & time: TBD by the Board  
Eligibility Requirement: See below  
Submit Application to: Cindy Krieg, Economic Development  
[events@minturn.org](mailto:events@minturn.org), or in person

The Authority shall have a Board of Directors  
(the “Board”) comprised of 5 members appointed by the Town Council, constituted as follows:

- a. One member shall be a member of the Town Council, appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Town Council.
- b. All members aside from the Town Council member shall be property owners, employees or agents of a business, business lessees, or residents within the designated boundaries of the Authority.
- c. A business shall include a for-profit business, and business representatives may be an owner, officer or director of a corporation.
- d. No officer or employee of the Town, other than an appointee from the Town Council, shall be eligible for appointment to the Board

TERMS. A Board member shall hold office until their successor has been appointed and qualified. After the terms of the initial members of the Board have expired, the terms of all members except the Town Council member appointed by the Board shall be four (4) years. Within 30 days after the occurrence of a vacancy, the Town Council shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The term of the initial board members shall be as follows:

- A. The Town Council member shall serve at the pleasure of the Town Council.
- B. The terms of 2 members shall expire on June 30, 2025.
- C. The terms of 2 members shall expire on June 30, 2026.



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Return completed application to:  
Town of Minturn  
302 Pine St, Minturn CO 81645  
(or via email – see previous page)

Board you are interested in serving on: Downtown Development Authority Board

Name: Zane Gearhart

Mailing Address: PO Box 4204 Avon, CO 81620

Residence within District (Physical Address): 165 Railroad Ave # Lower Level, Minturn, CO 81645

OR Business Name & Address OR Property Address within the District (Physical Address):

Resident at 165 Railroad Ave

Phone: 303 810 2061

Email: Zane.Gearhart@gmail.com

Length of Residency (OR Business / Property Ownership) in the Town of Minturn: 3 years

Are You Over 18 Years of Age? Yes

Current Occupation: Relationship Banker II Employer: First Western Trust Bank  
VP

I hereby certify and affirm that all the information contained in this application is true, complete and correct. I understand that false or misleading statements or the omission of important information made on this application or any time during the process may disqualify me from serving for this position. I understand that the Board of Trustees must appoint members to all Boards and Commissions.

[Signature]  
Applicant's Signature

2/13/25  
Date

**(FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY)**

Appointed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ New Appointment ☐ Reappointment

Appointment Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Term expiration: \_\_\_\_\_



1.) Tell us briefly about yourself, why you are interested in being appointed and what experience or education would you bring to this Commission / Board?

11 year valley local that moved from the front range in late 2013. Bachelor of Science and Masters of Science in Econ & Supply Chain/Logistics from CSU. Prior work and nonprofit experience in development, construction, real estate, title, legal, investment management, commercial banking, community outreach

2.) Why do you wish to be appointed/reappointed to this Board?

I would like to hopefully provide expertise, oversight and guidance through the new development authority. Want to be more socially and civically engaged

3.) Are you aware of the time commitment and do you have the personal time to devote to this Commission or Board?

Aware of the time commitment required and am able to fulfill the obligation.

4.) What other Boards have you served on?

Habitat for Humanity Vail Valley  
Starting Hearts  
United Way of Eagle River Valley





1.) If appointed, what would you like to accomplish on this Board while you are involved?

If appointed, I would like to assist with the framework for the board to be a successful entity, guide infrastructure and improvements in the Authorized areas  
Develop the downtown plan

2.) What do you believe could be a concern or issue facing this Commission or Board?

Issue facing the board will be the growth of congestion on Hwy 24 as a transit corridor for the Red Cliff & Leadville communities coupled with additional residential developments in and around Minturn.

3.) What do you think the Town's responsibility is in overseeing and regulating commercial development and economic growth for the downtown commercial core?

The Town's responsibility in overseeing and regulating commercial development and growth is to balance aspirational future potential against the potential change that may alter the town's character. Minturn is my favorite place to be in the Vail Valley; its quirky individual character must be factored into future growth/development goals.

Thank you for your interest and time commitment in serving your community.