



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

June 16, 2021

City Council President Joseph P. Lopes and
Honorable Members of the City Council
City of New Bedford
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Lopes and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of **RAYMOND J. HOUTMAN** of 75 Lake Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts to the **NEW BEDFORD PORT AUTHORITY**. Mr. Houtman will be replacing Richard Canastra who has resigned. This term will expire in December 2023.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

JFM/sds

cc: Raymond J. Houtman
New Bedford Port Authority



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION

The Mayor is seeking citizens who wish to serve on City Boards and Commissions established to assist and advise the City on specific matters. Please complete this application in full (attach a resume and other information which may assist the Mayor and the City Council in making its selection) and file it with the Mayor's Office. The Mayor reserves the right to reject any application. Some appointments are subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Board/Commission applying for: (see reverse side) Harbor Development Commission (NB Port Authority)

Name: Raymond J. Houtman Email: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Work Telephone: N/A

Residence Address: 75 Lake Street, New Bedford, MA Zip: 02740

Present Occupation & Place of Employment: Longshoreman - Maritime Terminal, Inc.

Educational Background: College Graduate - Southeastern Massachusetts University - Class of 1978

Memberships in Community Organizations or Professional Groups:

NAACP - Member

I.L.A., Local 1413-1465 - Executive Board Member (Recording Secretary/Secretary Treasurer)

City Boards and/or Commissions on which you have previously served:

NONE

The reasons why you wish to be considered for appointment by the Mayor:

1 - I care about our entire waterfront and would like to see Stevedore work continue as a part of our working waterfront. 2 - I possess common sense.

Please detail specific areas of expertise:

I am not an expert, but I do have some knowledge of our Port

Please detail specific areas of interest:

Stevedore - Loading and Unloading of Cargo Ships

Ensuring Stevedore work remains a part of New Bedford's working waterfront.

Available for meetings in the daytime ☐ evenings ☒ both ☐ (check one)

Resident of the City since what year: 1955

Appointees and incumbents may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest, as required by the City Council Rules or the Mayor. The statement may require a declaration that you have no interest in conflict with the City of New Bedford. Please return your completed application to the Mayor's Office, 133 William St., Room 311, New Bedford, MA 02740.

Applications will be kept on file for two years.

**I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING
INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

Signature of Applicant: Raymond J. Houtman

Date: 23-Mar-2021

RESUME

RAYMOND J. HOUTMAN
75 LAKE ST., NEW BEDFORD, MA. 02740-1557
Home # Cell #

OBJECTIVE:

WORK EXPERIENCES:

6/1973 – Present Longshoreman, employed (part-time) by Maritime Stevedoring Corp. Responsible for the loading and unloading of cargo. Member of the International Longshoremen Association (I.L.A.) Union – Local 1413-1465. Mainly Forklift Operator.

8/2004 – 12/2015
Airport Security Officer, employed by the Transportation Security Administration under the Department of Homeland Security, at T.F. Green Airport in Warwick, R.I. Responsible for deterring foreign and domestic terrorists from causing harm or disrupting the transportation system and its users. Retired – December 31, 2015.

11/1983 – 12/2003 Correction Officer employed by the Massachusetts Department of Correction, having held numerous positions within the Department. Responsible for the care and custody of convicted felons. Retired from M.C.I. Cedar Junction at Walpole, Ma. – December 31, 2003.

12/2003 – 6/2004
5/1979 – 6/1983

Teacher (substitute), employed by the New Bedford School Department. Responsible for the elementary level (K-8) students; Part-time.

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts degree, from the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, in June of 1978. Majored in History with interests in Elementary Education.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Experienced in Airport Security Procedures and emergency protocol.

Experienced in maximum, medium and minimum-security institution level procedures;

Experience in computers through the various positions held within the Department of Correction.

Experienced Forklift Driver and Warehouse worker dealing with the loading and unloading of various cargo. Possess a Massachusetts Dept. of Public Safety Hoisting Engineer License (Lic.# HE-162828);

Experienced in dealing with youth in a competitive sporting event.

Massachusetts Certified Teacher. Elementary (Grades K-8).

PERSONAL BACKGROUND:

2013 Jim Shine Award recipient – Selected by my peers as that year's most Outstanding Security Officer in the areas of professionalism, custom service, positive work attitude and overall positive moral.

2009 T.S.A. Security Officer of the Quarter (Oct.-Dec.) at T.F. Greene Airport, Warwick, R.I.

High School and Youth League Basketball Official (1997 – 2018);

Commissioner of Officials – New Bedford Youth United Summer Basketball League.

Commissioner of Officials – Greater New Bedford Basketball League (Pee-Wee and Little League Divisions)

Member of NAACP – New Bedford Chapter.

Recording Secretary and Secretary-Treasurer for the I.L.A. Union Local 1413-1465.

Co-Chairman of the Bridgewater Correctional Complex Multi-Cultural Awareness Committee. Responsible for the recruitment and employment of People of Color.

Vice-President of the Black Student Union at the University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth