

## Leon Lesinski

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**From:** GUY BISSONNETTE <grbissonnette@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2019 10:17 AM  
**To:** Leon Lesinski  
**Subject:** Fwd: Letter of Resignation

Leon:

Mr. James letter of resignation was addressed to me and the PB. It needs to be redirected to the Town Council. The TC needs to be made aware of the resignation so they can begin the process of seeking Mr. James's replacement.

Thank you.....guy

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**From:** Michael James, PE <jamesm@fastmail.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2019 5:50:45 PM  
**To:** grbissonnette@msn.com  
**Cc:** etlopespe@msn.com; rmtibbetts@gmail.com; llesinski@portsmouthri.com  
**Subject:** Letter of Resignation

Mr. Chairman,

After much consideration I hereby resign my position on the Portsmouth Planning Board, effective immediately. Aside from my previously noted desire to end the publication of my employment information on the Internet by the RI Ethics Board (in violation of OPSEC principles) and my vehement objection to the new training requirement of RIGL 45-22-7, I don't believe that I will be able to keep up with work, class, and family over the next two and a half years of school and fulfill my obligations to this board.

I would at a minimum have to miss the September, October, and November meetings of this year due to scheduling conflicts with a required class, and I cannot guarantee that would not be the case the following semester. Even if it were not the case, taking classes 3 nights a week in the opposite corner of the State, completing school work, and working full time (and likely then some) is going to be challenging enough without an additional weeknight spent at a planning board meeting each month.

With the bulk of the comprehensive community master plan behind us, and my impending absence for the remainder of the year, I feel that it is both in my best interest and the interest of the Planning Board for me to resign at this time and allow my position to be filled rather than have the rest of the board bear the burden of having to carry a quorum in my absence and into an uncertain future.

I have learned a great deal, and gained valuable experience for having served on this board. After completing this degree, I would be interested in returning should a position on the board become available. In the mean time I wish you all the best of luck, and hopefully our paths will cross again in the future.

- Thank You  
Michael James