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# Raynham woman to be Plympton's first town administrator



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Plympton selectmen have selected Elizabeth Dennehy of Raynham to be the town's first town administrator.

Dennehy is currently the community development director in Walpole, and she has 10 years of experience in municipal government.

"We'll all be starting from scratch," said Plympton Selectman John Traynor, who says the addition of a full-time administrator will be a boon to the town as it faces development pressures and the need to address its lack of affordable housing.

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The town used the consulting firm Community Paradigm Associates to pull a field of 38 candidates. A local search committee then narrowed it to two candidates, Dennehy and Joshua Garcia of Holyoke, a manager at the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.

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Traynor said both of the candidates were well-qualified to do the job.

Negotiations with Dennehy are underway, but Traynor said the town is hoping to have her on board by the end of November. The advertised salary was \$100,000.

Dennehy holds a master's degree in public administration and a bachelor's in environmental science from Bridgewater State University. In addition to the Walpole post, she has also worked in Fall River.

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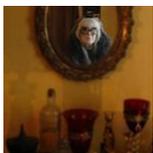
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