

**Subject:** Resume from Toby Stover  
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Dear Carl,

I have drafted a short description of my activities since moving to Rochester Township 34 years ago. I hope this will be adequate. Also, I will be at a wedding on Thursday, August 28th. Perhaps I can be interviewed a different day. I am very interested in the possibility of serving my community as a board member.

Thanks,  
Toby Stover  
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#### Resume of Toby Stover:

I moved to the community of Rochester in November, 1980 after living in Poughquag, NY for 2 1/2 years. At the time my son was one and 1/2 years old. We moved here to a 57 acre old farm at 81 Clove Valley Road, High Falls. Since then we have created a thriving organic permaculture vegetable farm here.

For most of the years raising our two children, I was working as a piano player in "Fennig's All Star String Band". I joined this band in 1973 and still play with them after 40 years. We have 5 CD's to our credit. We play for monthly community dances in Albany.

[www.oldsongs.org](http://www.oldsongs.org)

I have also been a dancer, musician and resident teaching artist with "The Vanaver Caravan" since 1975. [www.vanavercaravan.org](http://www.vanavercaravan.org)

The Vanaver Caravan is a traditional music and dance company out of Rosendale and New Paltz. We are very involved in educating children in our local community. We have been working in the Rondout School District, as well as many other school districts in Ulster and Dutchess Counties. We work with the Social Studies programs to introduce children to cultures of the world through dance and music.

When my children were in high school, I went back to school & became certified in "Burnham Systems Facial Rejuvenation". I started a practice in Rosendale. Facial Rejuvenation is a luxurious massage of the face, head, neck & shoulders. During this time I became keenly interested in helping people with health issues.



In 1999, I became involved in a company that makes medicinal "Therapeutic-grade" Essential Oils. I have been passionate serving as a health consultant using essential oils and other natural health practices for the last 15 years.

In 2010 I co-founded "Rochester Defense Against Fracking" (RDAF) with my son Rio Stover and Premilla Dixit Nag. We formed this group to help protect our town from the hazards of gas drilling. During these years, I had many opportunities to speak publicly and became comfortable in this capacity. We were very pleased that our town board unanimously passed a fracking ban.

We came to know Carl Chipman and other board members during this time, as we started attending town board meetings. I then became interested in the politics of our local community.

As an independent, I don't take sides on issues along party lines. Rather, I prefer to look at each issue fairly and objectively. I believe I am capable of serving the community in this manner. I am interested in serving on the town board of Rochester and believe that I have the energy and passion to cooperatively help my community be a better place.

Thank you,  
Toby Stover