

Mr. Epperson indicated he wished to
be considered for BZA as well as P+Z

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Dustin Epperson and I'm writing to express interest in the open position on the Planning and Zoning Board. My wife, Katie, and I live with our four children at 2109 W. Gardenia Dr., Pataskala. We moved to this community in June of 13' and we absolutely love it. We love the small town feel, the community, and the schools. I'm active in my neighborhood as a member of our HOA board. I also volunteer with SWLYB in the spring (and occasionally the fall) as a head coach for tee-ball and baseball. I'm also coaching in the Upward basketball program the runs out of Etna United Methodist and Pataskala Nazarene churches and I'm also my son's assistant Cub Scouts den leader.

I'm interested in this position because it would afford me the opportunity to help shape what this community will become in the future and give me a continued opportunity to give back and work for the great people of our community. From my time in the military to my current position with the Department of Homeland Security, community service is my way of giving back. I hope you will consider me for this position and I look forward to hearing from you.

V/r,



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Summary of Experience

Lead Explosive Specialist for the Department of Homeland Security/TSA, where I train TSA personnel on IEDs and emerging terrorist TTPs. Currently provide subject matter expertise for the Federal Security Director and provide Advanced Alarm Resolution for suspected explosive material and items. Have been a member of the USAF Explosive Ordnance Disposal team for 6 years, 2 years of which as team leader. Have had extensive IED experience, from deployments to both Iraq and Afghanistan.

Areas of Expertise

- Motivated, self-starter; able to operate at a high level with little to no supervision.
- Outstanding analytical skills, exceptional communication and technical writing skills.
- Extensive improvised explosive device knowledge.
- Well versed in Transportation Security Specialist – Explosives program and mission.
- Excellent understanding and knowledge of x-ray interpretation.
- Easily integrates into new, diverse teams.

Professional Accomplishments

Department of Homeland Security
Transportation Security Administration
Port Columbus International Airport, Columbus, OH

02/2009-Present

Lead TSS-Explosive Specialist

- Developed and/or presented over 1,527 training classes or technical briefing to over 8,100 TSA and DHS personnel; helping to protect the 6.9 million passengers a year at CMH.
- Provided Advanced Alarm Resolution on 146 plus TSS-E responses; saving the airport over 198 hours of time shutdown, due to bomb squad responses.
- Built over 210 realistic training aids for use in training the 290 TSA personnel at CMH. To include complete IED's and individual improvised components.
- Coordinated with multiple government agencies to include: Federal Air Marshals, U.S. Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, DEA, Customs and Border Protection, many state and local law enforcement entities.
- Manages the CMH IED training program as well as managing procurement of over \$15,000 of equipment and training aids as the TSS-E equipment manager.
- Uses Microsoft computer programs in my daily duties to write incident reports, develop training materials and to manage TSS-E equipment/training aids.

United States Air Force,
Seymour Johnson AFB, NC
Active Duty

2/2003-1/2009
Honorable Discharged

USAF EOD Team Leader, SSgt. E-5

- I have deployed to both Iraq '06-'07 and Afghanistan '08 where I disrupted and cleared more than 55 IED's, performed over 100 post blast analysis of IED detonations.
- Have vast experience in x-ray interpretation using electronic and conventional film processing methods. Can easily identify components and determine their significance to the threat. Have used x-ray graphics to identify key targets areas for disruption. My use in x-ray interpretation has been honed through courses such as AT-Solutions IED course and U.S. Navy Advanced IED course.
- Trained and have experience working in small highly motivated and diverse teams. Through strategic problem solving and planning all of my incidents were completed safely with no injuries to my team or bystanders.
- Have trained and worked closely with many coalition forces to include; Iraqi Army, Iraqi Police, Polish Forces, and Afghan National Army.

- Was a member of our training section, where I continually developed classes and material used to train our flight. Have a lot of experience in building realistic and working IED's used in training exercises for my EOD flight, the local post office, and for training the base police in vehicle search procedures.
- Have worked with multiple agencies to include local law enforcement, U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigation, U.S. Secret Service and the U.S. State Department. Have preformed many protection missions for the President of the United States, Vice President, First Lady, Secretary of State and other heads of states.

Education

- Associates of Art, Psychology. Sinclair Community College, 2015.
- 58 Credits into Associates Degree in Applied Sciences, Community College of the Air Force, Goldsboro, NC 27531, 2003-2009.
- Diploma, Edgewood High School, Trenton, Ohio 45067, 1999

Training

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 Pipeline Safety & Security Course, 40 Department of Homeland Security, 40 Hr. 2012 Explosive Use Certification Department of Homeland Security, 40 Hr. 2010/11 Explosive and Explosives Effects Department of Homeland Security, FBI, ATF, Butler County Sheriff Office, 30 Hrs. 2010 Amtrak Rail Safety Course Amtrak & DHS, 30 Hrs. 2009 Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents New Mexico Tech Energetic Materials Research And Testing Center, 3 Hr. 2009 Bomb Appraisal Officer Program Training Department of Homeland Security, 80 Hr. 2008 Global Anti-Terrorism Operational Readiness Course United States Army, 100hr. 2007 Advanced Improvised Explosives Devices School United States Navy, 120hr. 2007 Explosive Ordnance Disposal 7-level course United States Air Force, 80hr. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2007 Airman Leadership School United States Air Force, 6 weeks 2007 Combat Zone Post Blast Federal Bureau of Investigation, 40hr 2006 Global Anti-Terrorism Operational Readiness Course United States Army, 100hr 2005 National Incident Management System Federal Emergency Management Agency 2005 IED and WMD Electronics Course AT-Solutions, 40hr 2005 U.S. Air Force Training Course United States Air Force 2004 U.S. Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal School United States Navy, 1072hr 2003 U.S.A.F Explosive Ordnance Disposal Prelim Course United States Air Force, 48hr 2003 Basic Military Training United States Air Force, 6 weeks
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Awards

- 02/14---Awarded 2013 Transportation Security Administration Team of the Year Award.
- 12/11---Awarded 2011 Transportation Security Administration Team of the Year Award.
- 03/09---Awarded 2009 Commander-in-Chief (CINC) Annual Award for Installation Excellence.
- 12/08---Awarded U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal
- 08/08---Awarded U.S. Army Commendation Medal for excellence while deployed to Afghanistan.
- 05/07---Recognized as the Distinguished Graduate of my Airman Leadership School.
- 05/07---Received Leadership Excellence Award from Airman Leadership School.
- 03/07---Awarded U.S. Army Commendation Medal for excellence while deployed to Iraq.
- 01/04---Designated an Honor Graduate from U.S. Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal School with a GPA of 97.03. Award presented by the schools Commander.

Volunteering

- Vice President of my neighborhood HOA (Sugar Mill) – On the architecture review committee.
- Head tee-ball/baseball coach for three years with the SWLYB League (2013-Present).
- Basketball coach with the Upward program.
- Watchdog program with SWL School district.

References

Available upon request.