

# Green Space Romeo

Meet the Board of Directors

## Donna Folland – Chair



Donna Folland is a lifelong conservationist and advocate for community parks and open space. She has over 25 years of experience working for nonprofits or local governments, including one year with The Nature Conservancy, 2 years with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, both in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; 11 years as executive director of Six Rivers Land Conservancy in Rochester, Michigan; and 14 years in her current position as a planner with Oakland County Parks and Recreation in Waterford, Michigan. She was a founding board member of the Michigan Wetlands Association, based in Lansing, Michigan. As Board Chair, Donna expects to plan and facilitate board meetings, help facilitate

the adoption of policies and other organizational documents and participate in strategic planning to chart a path for the future of the organization. She will also focus on grants and fundraising for the development and long-term stewardship of Green Space on Prospect Street. Donna has been a Director since December 2024, her current term ends 2027.

## Kimberly Voss – Vice Chair



Kimberly Voss is a retired secondary public educator. She taught American History and various Social Studies electives at the high school level for 27 years. For 20 years she taught Advanced Placement American History to enable students to achieve college credit while in high school. Kim was additionally a high school administrator for 8 years and worked 5 years as a central office administrator where she worked with curriculum leaders and oversaw district-wide testing and data decision-making. Kim expects to facilitate the application of state educational standards as the organization plans for and adopts educational programming for Green

Space Romeo. Kim has been a Director since December 2024, her current term ends 2027.

## Kristin Brewer – Secretary



Kristin Brewer is a certified speech language pathologist and special education teacher. She worked in Austin, Texas with students with hearing impairment, autism, learning disabilities, and intellectual disabilities for over 20 years and taught English as a Second Language to Adults for Utica Community Schools in Michigan. Kristin has extensive volunteer experience in Austin, Texas including Parent Teacher Association (president, vice president, event chair, membership chair, and volunteer coordinator), Girl Scouts of America (troop leader, new leader mentor), and Impact Austin (member of the Education Grant Review Committee). Kristin was a founding member of MacCares, a parent group

that assists the McCallum High School social worker in providing support to students experiencing homelessness and/or poverty. She has been involved with Green Space on Prospect Street for the last year and, as Board Secretary, will focus on keeping organizational records, recording meeting minutes, and assisting with correspondence, among other tasks. Kristin has been a Director since December 2024, her current term ends 2027.

## Brian Minton – Treasurer



Brian Minton is Master Electrician as well as the co-owner of an electrical contracting company based in Detroit. He has been in the electrical business for the past 25 years. He also has the pleasure of serving on the Romeo Village Planning Commission as well as the ZBA. Brian and his family moved into one of Romeo’s Historic homes in 2010. He believes in keeping Romeo’s historic neighborhoods and streets a primary goal of the village. As a member of one of the local churches and a volunteer coach for Romeo FC he understands the importance of fellowship and gathering spaces for everyone to enjoy. As treasurer he will be tasked

with ensuring every dollar spent is used wisely to advance the Green Space and maximize its potential for the community to enjoy. Brian has been a Director since December 2024, his current term ends 2027.

## Franco Folino - Director



Franco Folino has been a commissioned officer in the U.S. Air Force for more than 16 years. He has been assigned to numerous duty stations within the United States as well as abroad in Europe. His service has taken him to countless destinations throughout the world. Franco has experience in Strategic Deterrence, Acquisitions, and Global Mobility Air Operations. He is a qualified pilot in the KC-135 Stratotanker and flies regularly from Selfridge Air National Guard Base. He is passionate about defending the freedoms we enjoy as Americans as well as being involved in the local community. Franco expects to be mainly involved in strategic planning to chart a path for the future of the organization as well as assisting other board members with their duties. Franco has been a Director since December 2024, his current term ends 2027.