## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS



Ilene Richardson Democratic Party

#### **Biographical Statement**

Ilene Richardson is a single mom and business owner who has been active in the Weston community for over a decade. She has sat on boards for the Norfield Children's Center and the PTO, served on the Weston Marketing Committee and is currently the chair of the ZBA. Ilene is committed to helping Weston be the best town it can be for all residents.

### In your opinion, what is the most significant issue facing Weston today?

Weston is a beautiful community faced with evolving in a way that is true to our character while making updates necessary for the continued success of our town.

### Why are running for this specific office and what do you bring to it?

I am proud to serve Weston as our current ZBA Chair. I strive to ensure each applicant is given fair and reasonable consideration, while ensuring we adhere to all relevant regulations. I bring a balanced approach and an open mind to our Board.

# What is the most important issue this board/commission faces and how would you potentially address it?

We are often challenged by what may seem to be 'reasonable' requests from applicants that do not meet the legally precedent benchmark for approval. Ensuring we are able to support the homeowner fairly throughout the process, while enforcing the codes we are obligated to hold up, is the delicate balance of this board.