

## Kathleen Talbot

Kathie Talbot has served on the Peekskill City Council since 2012, bringing a unique blend of managerial expertise, interpersonal insight, and clear communication to the challenges facing the city. A lifelong resident of Peekskill, Kathie's career is defined by a commitment to leadership and service.

Before entering public office, she spent 25 years as the CEO of Talbot Productions LLC, an award-winning design and communications firm serving Fortune 500 companies. Seeking a new way to contribute to her community, she pivoted to social work, earning her master's in Social Work (with honors) from Fordham University in 2005. Today, she holds a clinical social work license from New York State and completed her mental health internship at New York-Presbyterian Hospital in White Plains.

On the City Council, Kathie is a steadfast advocate for inclusivity, social justice, environmental protection and the arts. Her leadership was instrumental in expanding the Conservation Advisory Council, which led to Peekskill receiving its first Bronze status from the NYS Climate Smart Communities Program and a Tree City designation. She actively supported the expansion and renovations of Peekskill parks and artist lofts construction. She believes that clean energy and vibrant public parks and the arts are not just goals, but essential drivers of economic prosperity.

Kathie's dedication to Peekskill extends to numerous community boards. She is a founding member of the Peekskill Education Foundation and currently serves on the boards of the Paramount Hudson Valley theater, the Parks Advisory Board, and the Peekskill Community Collaborative. A longtime Peekskill homeowner, Kathie recently became a resident of the downtown where she enjoys the energy of city life and remains deeply engaged with the concerns of her neighbors. She has a son, Bryan, and three grandchildren.