

Ward 1 – Beth Wilkins -

Beth moved to Lebanon from St Louis after spending a little more than a decade there. The first time she came to Lebanon, it was the first time she felt at “home” since arriving in the midwest. Beth grew up in a small farm town in northwestern New York state. The town she grew up in, Bloomfield, bears many similarities to Lebanon, from its historic main street to its strong community base.

Beth first visited Lebanon in October 2011 after hearing about Fezziwig’s and came out for the first time on the day of the Fall Festival. I immediately fell in love with the city.

We have now been in Lebanon for 6 years. Lebanon’s charm also won over my parents, who just moved here from Florida. Beth often thinks “I can’t believe I get to live here. I feel fortunate for the opportunity to help strengthen the community and its magic that brought us to Lebanon.

Beth attended Hobart & William Smith College in Geneva, NY where she double-majored with a Biochemistry and Cellular (molecular) Biology and double-minored in Environmental Science and “Science and Society”. She then worked in Boston University’s Boston Medical Center, Department of Pediatric Infectious Diseases, researching vaccine efficacy. From there, she attended law school and graduate school concurrently at St. Louis University, where she earned her Juris Doctorate with a specialization in Health Law and Masters of Public Health degrees. She has been practicing law at the same firm for 15 years, and have spent nearly all of that time on a case representing Peruvian children claiming lead poisoning injuries against domestic companies. Here is her work bio, <https://uselaws.com/people/attorney/elizabeth-wilkins-flieger/>

In her spare time, she loves gardening, running, and spending time with her kids. Her family started the Lebanon Rocks group and brought rock painting to Lebanon after learning about it in Florida.

She is looking forward to working with and learning from the City Council, and working together to grow and preserve our community.