

Andover Select Board
Subcommittee for Zoning Board of Appeals
Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, July 20, 2022

I. Call to Order

The Andover Select Board Subcommittee for the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting was called to order in the Community Room of the BallardVale Fire Station at 6:39 p.m. Present were subcommittee members Melissa Danisch and Chris Huntress.

II. Deliberations on Candidates for the Zoning Board of Appeals

The subcommittee began deliberations on the five candidates who were interviews on July 11th and July 15th for a position on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Huntress noted that the five candidates included three current members seeking reappointment, Carol McDonough, Lisa Rechisky and David Guerette, and two additional residents, Aseem Junega and Matthew Nigrelli.

Ms. Danisch stated that she was very impressed with all of the candidates who interviewed. She enjoyed learning about their different backgrounds and experiences. She was particularly impressed with the current members who were seeking reappointment. She appreciated hearing what each member felt they personally got out of serving on the ZBA and what they hoped to accomplish moving forward. She noted that they all seem to have a grasp of what is going on in town and work well with the other members. She stated Mr. Nigrelli and Mr. Junega showed a great deal of enthusiasm but they both lacked experience and background when you look at the breadth of the current board. Her recommendation is to reappoint the existing members, Carol McDonough, Lisa Rechisky and David Guerette.

Mr. Huntress agreed with Ms. Danisch. He added Mr. Nigrelli and Mr. Junega were exceptional interviews and the town is lucky to have them as residents. He recommended that the Board encourage the Town Manager to consider each for appointment to one of the other boards or committees that they have expressed interest in serving on per their Talent Bank forms. He noted that Mr. Guerette has served one term as an associate member and is just starting to get his feet wet. Ms. McDonough was first appointed in 1979 and is a wealth of knowledge for the board who contributes in a way few people can. Lisa Rechisky was an excellent interview who expressed a sincere desire to move forward. His recommendation was to reappoint the existing members Carol McDonough, Ms. Rechisky and Mr. Guerette, and recommend to the Town Manager that Mr. Nigrelli and Mr. Junega be contacted and interviewed for other positions as they become available.

Ms. Danisch moved to reappoint Carol McDonough and Lisa Rechisky as members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and David Guerette as an associate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals and further moved that Matthew Nigrelli and Aseem Junega be contacted and interviewed for other positions as they become available.

Roll Call: Mr. Huntress, yes and Ms. Danisch, yes. Motion Passes 2-0.

IV. Adjourn

The subcommittee meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Forina
Recording Secretary