

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2022**

Town of Bedford
Remote Participation Conference Call
Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

PRESENT: William Moonan, Chair; Alan Long, Vice Chair; Karen Kalil Brown, Clerk; Sal Canciello; Karl Winkler

ABSENT: None

Mr. Moonan introduced himself and read the Governor's Order regarding virtual hearings. The Historic District Commission (HDC) members and assistant introduced themselves.

BUSINESS MEETING: The Commission will discuss the potential demolition and rebuild for a new Fire Station at 139 The Great Road.

Mr. Moonan said he would be recusing himself from this discussion, as he was a direct abutter to the parcel at 139 The Great Road.

Mr. Long introduced himself as Acting Chair. He commented that Margot Fleischman, of the Select Board, had asked to speak, so he opened up the meeting to her.

Margot Fleischman, a resident of 145 Page Road and a member of the Select Board, said that she was disappointed that her esteemed colleague, Mr. Moonan, had called this meeting to order when he was a direct abutter to the property and clearly had a conflict of interest with it. She said that, if the Town staff had known about this meeting in a more timely manner, someone could have been here to discuss the project and address any questions or concerns directly. Mr. Long noted that, although Mr. Moonan had brought this matter to the Commission's attention, it was he, Mr. Long, who called the meeting.

There was dialogue about whether it was appropriate for the Commission to hold a meeting tonight since Town staff was not here to comment or answer questions. Mr. Winkler suggested that, in the interest of being transparent, the Commission reschedule this meeting to a date that didn't appear so last-minute and could be attended by Town staff.

After final discussion, the Board members agreed to reschedule the meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. Long called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION:

Mr. Canciello moved to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Kalil-Brown seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Long: Aye

Kalil-Brown: Aye

Canciello: Aye

Winkler: Aye

The motion carried unanimously, 4-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

William Moonan, Chair

Date

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gould
HDC Assistant