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# **MINUTES**

### JOINT MEETING WITH SELECT BOARD

## JUNE 29, 2021 AT 7:00 PM

## VIRTUAL MEETING

**Select Board Members Present:** Chair Jennifer Roberts, Vice Chair Charles Russo, Daniel Carty, Janie Dretler, and William Schineller

**Planning Board Members Present:** Chair Stephen Garvin, Clerk John Hincks, Justin Finnicum, and John Sugrue

**Others Present:** Director of Planning and Community Development Adam Duchesneau, Town Manager Henry Hayes, Jr., and Anuraj Shah, Applicant for Planning Board Member Position

Ms. Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Vote to open a joint meeting with Planning Board to vote to appoint a new full member, Ahnu Shah, 257 Concord Road, to the Planning Board for a term ending 5/31/22. This is to replace former member Charles Karustis who has resigned

Ms. Roberts moved in the words of the motion to open the joint meeting with the Planning Board. Mr. Carty motioned in the words of Ms. Roberts. Ms. Dretler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Roberts – Aye, Mr. Russo – Aye, Mr. Carty – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, and Mr. Schineller – Aye.

Mr. Garvin opened the joint meeting with the Select Board. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Garvin – Aye, Mr. Hincks – Aye, Mr. Finnicum – Aye, and Mr. Sugrue – Aye.

Mr. Shah stated he wanted to give back to the community, and could provide assistance given his background in architecture and construction.

Ms. Roberts asked if this was the only Planning Board membership application which had been received. Mr. Duchesneau responded in the affirmative.

Ms. Dretler commented Mr. Shah would make for a good voting member of the Planning Board.

Mr. Russo echoed the comments made by Ms. Dretler and stated he was glad Mr. Shah was now seeking voting membership on the Planning Board after serving as an Associate Member.

Mr. Carty stated he believed every voting Planning Board member originally started as an Associate Member.

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Mr. Schineller asked if Mr. Shah was leaving the membership of another Town board, committee, or commission to become a member of the Planning Board. Mr. Shah responded he was leaving the Community Preservation Committee.

Ms. Roberts stated she felt Mr. Shah added value to the Planning Board and she had seen him in action.

Mr. Garvin confirmed Mr. Shah had significantly contributed to the Planning Board during his time as an Associate Member. He added Mr. Shah's insight had been valuable. Mr. Hincks noted Mr. Shah took an active role as an Associate Member. Mr. Sugrue agreed with comments made by everyone and Mr. Finnicum confirmed his full endorsement of Mr. Shah.

Ms. Dretler motioned to appoint a new full member, Anuraj Shah of 257 Concord Road, to the Planning Board for a term ending May 31, 2022. Mr. Russo seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Roberts – Aye, Mr. Russo – Aye, Mr. Carty – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, and Mr. Schineller – Aye.

Mr. Hincks motioned to appoint a new full member, Anuraj Shah of 257 Concord Road, to the Planning Board for a term ending on May 31, 2022. Mr. Finnicum seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Garvin – Aye, Mr. Hincks – Aye, Mr. Finnicum – Aye, and Mr. Sugrue – Aye.

# **Vote to Close Joint Meeting with Planning Board**

Ms. Roberts read in the words of the motion to close the joint meeting with the Planning Board. Mr. Schineller motioned in the words of Ms. Roberts. Ms. Dretler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Roberts – Aye, Mr. Russo – Aye, Mr. Carty – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, and Mr. Schineller – Aye.

Mr. Garvin closed the Planning Board meeting.