

**Town of Woodstock
Select Board Special Meeting
August 22, 2023
7:00 pm
Town Hall & Zoom
Minutes**

Draft minutes are subject to approval.

Present: Chair Ray Bourgeois, Susan Ford, Mary Riley, Keri Cole, Eric Duffy, Nikki Nourse, Tom Weschler, Anne Macksoud, Tess Hunter, Steven Bauer, Hayley Bauer, Richard Kozlowski, Seton McIlroy, Jeffrey Kahn, Laura Powell, Ernesto Fernandez, Greg Fullerton

A. Call to order

1. Chair Bourgeois called the Select Board Special Meeting of August 22, 2023, to order at 7:00 pm.

B. Interviews for Select Board vacancy

1. Butch Sutherland – withdrew.

2. Richard Kozlowski

- a. Mr. Kozlowski shared his motivations for wanting to join the Select Board and highlighted his financial background and community involvement. Mr. Duffy posed questions to Mr. Kozlowski and received thoughtful responses regarding leadership, handling difficult issues, and managing public criticism.

3. Laura Powell

- a. Ms. Powell is currently on the Planning Commission. She expressed her desire to contribute to the Town's decision-making processes and emphasized her commitment to civility and respectful dialogue. She answered questions about leadership experiences, managing public criticism, and budget priorities.

4. Anne Macksoud

- a. Ms. Macksoud shared her reasons to want to be on the Select Board. She has lived here for many years and wants to contribute.

5. Ernesto Fernandez

- a. Mr. Fernandez shared his reasons for wanting to join the Select Board, his qualities as a leader, and his experiences in handling difficult issues. He also addressed the importance of civility and respect within the board and the community.

6. Greg Fullerton

- a. Mr. Fullerton expressed his desire to be on the Board. He is a business owner in Woodstock and wants to help the community.

7. Tom Weschler

- a. Mr. Weschler is a long-time resident and business owner. He spoke about his deep connection to the Town and his desire to contribute to its betterment. Mr. Weschler highlighted his experience in financial planning, community involvement, and his approach to handling criticism.

C. Executive session to discuss appointment

Motion: by Ms. Ford to enter executive session for a discussion regarding the applicants and their qualifications at 7:56 pm.

Seconded: by Ms. Riley.

Vote: 4-0-0, passed.

The Select Board exited executive session and resumed the public meeting at 8:32 pm.

No decision was made and was postponed to 8/25/23 at 9:45 am.

D. Other business – none.

E. Adjournment

Motion: by Ms. Riley to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm.
Seconded: by Ms. Ford.
Vote: 4-0-0, passed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nikki Nourse*