



Select Board / Arlington Housing Authority
Meeting Minutes

Date: November 30, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Conducted by Remote Participation

Present: Mr. Hurd, Chair, Mr. Curro, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Mr. DeCoursey, Mr. Diggins

Present for Housing Authority: Nick Mitropoulos, Chair, Brian Connor, Gaar Talanian, Jo Anne Preston

Also Present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Mr. Heim, Ms. Maher, John Griffin, John Greco

1. Executive Order on Remote Participation

Mr. Hurd opened the meeting by explaining that due to the current State of Emergency, to lower the risk of the spread of COVID-19, the Town has been advised and directed by the Commonwealth to suspend public gatherings, and as such the Governor's orders suspends the requirement of the Open Meeting Law to have all meetings in a public and accessible location. Public bodies may meet entirely remotely as long as the public can access the meeting. The meeting reference materials and how to access the remote meeting are posted on the Town's website. The Chair asked participants that would like to speak, to use their full name rather than a nickname.

Mr. Hurd wanted to go over some business ground rules for effective and clear conduct of the meeting and to ensure accurate meeting minutes:

The Chair will introduce each speaker on the agenda, after they conclude their remarks; Mr. Hurd will ask each member of the Board for their remarks or a motion. Please wait until your name is called. Please remember to mute your phone or computer when you are not speaking and to speak clearly. For any response, please wait until the Chair yields to you and state your name before speaking. Anyone wishing to speak to someone must do so through the Chair.

2. Appointment: Arlington Housing Authority

John V. Hurd, Select Board, Chair

Nicholas Mitropoulos, Arlington Housing Authority

Mr. Hurd stated that the first order of business is amongst the Chairs take a nomination for one Chair to act as the Chair for this meeting. Mr. Mitropoulos stated that he nominates Mr. Hurd as chair for this meeting.

Mr. Mitropoulos nominated Mr. Hurd as chair of this meeting.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion by Mr. Heim.

Mr. Connor	yes
Ms. Preston	yes
Mr. Talanian	yes
Mr. Mitropoulos	yes
Mrs. Mahon:	yes
Mr. DeCoursey:	yes
Mr. Diggins:	yes
Mr. Curro:	yes
Mr. Hurd:	yes

SO VOTED (9-0)

Mr. Griffin stated that the power at the Cusack building has not yet been restored. Mr. Heim stated that this matter is within the joint Board's discretion. If the Board would like to proceed with nominations, discussion and vote they should do so. Mr. Heim stated that it would not be necessarily unlawful but would seem in the interest of fairness to not afford any of the candidates who can be present the ability to present their case. Mr. Heim stated that his recommendations are that if the Board wishes to proceed; they proceed with nominations and discussion without hearing from the nominees themselves. If the Board wishes to postpone the Board may also do that in its discretion.

Mr. Hurd stated that they would like to schedule this meeting as soon as possible and will work offline with Mr. Mitropoulos to schedule a future date. Mrs. Mahon asked when the two chairs are discussing a future date if we could start the meeting at 7:00p.m. if it is not a Town Meeting night. Mr. Connor questioned if it were possible for the two applicants not present to dial in on their telephone. Ms. Preston stated that she feels that would be a disadvantage.

Mr. Mitropolous moved to postpone the meeting due to the power outage.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion by Mr. Heim.

Mr. Connor	yes
Ms. Preston	yes
Mr. Talanian	yes
Mr. Mitropoulos	yes
Mrs. Mahon:	yes
Mr. DeCoursey:	yes
Mr. Diggins:	yes
Mr. Curro:	yes
Mr. Hurd:	yes

SO VOTED (9-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 6:22p.m.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion by Mr. Heim.

Mr. Connor	yes
Ms. Preston	yes
Mr. Talanian	yes

Mr. Mitropoulos yes
Mrs. Mahon: yes
Mr. DeCoursey: yes
Mr. Diggins: yes
Mr. Curro: yes
Mr. Hurd: yes

SO VOTED (9-0)

Next Scheduled Meeting of Select Board December 7, 2020

A true record attest

Ashley Maher
Administrative Assistant

11/30/2020

Agenda Item	Document Used
1	Executive Order on Remote Participation
2	Memo from Town Counsel Vacancy Meeting Notice F. Badilla Resume M. Healy Resume W. Kennedy Resume M. King Resume C. McGinty Resume A. McInnes Resume R. Pontes Resume D. Rulon Resume J. Ward Resume