



TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH

SELECT BOARD Meeting Minutes

1 **Meeting Date:** Thursday, June 6, 2024, 8:00 AM
2 **Location:** Remote through Zoom
3 **Present:** Andrew Dennington, Kathryn Cook, Marguerite Landry, Sam Stivers and Al Hamilton.
4 Town Administrator Mark Purple, Assistant Town Administrator Vanessa Hale and
5 Bernard Lynch of Community Paradigm Associates, LLC
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7 *Those wishing to watch or participate remotely can do so by accessing the meeting link at:*
8 <https://www.southboroughtown.com/remotemeetings>

9 **I. Call Meeting to Order**

10 Chair Kathy Cook called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM.
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12 **II. Building Commissioner – Interview and consideration of appointment**

13 Ms. Cook introduced Mr. Lynch and Mr. Lund and reviewed the process for the interview. The Board
14 took turns asking Mr. Lund their list of thirteen questions. Mr. Lund gave a background of his
15 experience, why he felt Southborough is a good fit for him professionally, his process for zoning
16 enforcement, his management style, and responded to the questions asked as included in the packet.
17 The Board emphasized the need for someone who has strong zoning enforcement skills and the ability
18 and willingness to collaborate with staff and other departments and committees. He assured the Board
19 he would be able to do both. Mr. Lynch gave a summary of the references he spoke to from the
20 communities Mr. Lund has worked with. He added he was told that Mr. Lund works very well with
21 others, his skills are excellent, and he is fair with his enforcement. He gave an example of one resident
22 having said he is too strict and another resident from the same town having said that he is too lenient.
23 He explained that this showcases Mr. Lund's ability to be fair and impartial in his determinations. Ms.
24 Cook stated that Acting Building Commissioner Gene Novack is very supportive of this appointment as is
25 Electrical Inspector Jim Colleary.

26 Mr. Stivers made a motion to appoint Mr. Chris Lund as Southborough Building Commissioner
27 contingent on successful background checks and SAP process completion. Mr. Dennington seconded.
28 The motion passed all in favor (5-0-0) by roll call vote: Dennington, aye; Landry, aye; Stivers, aye;
29 Hamilton, aye; Cook, aye. Mr. Lund's first day will be July 1, 2024.

30 **III. Adjournment**

31 Mr. Dennington moved to adjourn at 8:50 AM. Mr. Stivers seconded the motion. The motion was
32 unanimously approved by roll call vote: Mr. Hamilton, aye; Mr. Stivers, aye; Mr. Dennington, aye; Ms.
33 Cook, aye; Ms. Landry (5-0-0).
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<i>Upcoming Meetings</i>
<i>July 11, 2024</i>
<i>July 12, 2024</i>

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36 Respectfully submitted, Katie Barry, Business Administrator
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38 List of Documents referred to at the June 6, 2024, SB Meeting:
39 • None