

To: Select Board

July 27, 2022

I would like to object to the appointment of Mike Holden to the DRB at this time for the following reasons:

1. The first DRB meeting that the abutting landowners were given notice. The DRB gave specific instructions that all questions or remarks be directed to the Board. When some one asked about trucks and maybe tractor trailers on the road. Mike immediately spoke (directed at me) without being recognized that we already have a milk truck on this road. When I did not respond to him (as was against the Boards mandate) he said I quote "I thought so".
2. The next meeting of the DRB, when they went into deliberative session, my daughter and I were talking with Dick Combs and was approached by Mike in a bullying fashion accusing me of not wanting what was good for Castleton, when my daughter told him to show some respect to her 80-year-old mother, he puffed up like a bantam rooster and said "you don't know who I am, do you". She countered with "no and I don't give a shit". Mike continued hollering as he went to his truck. Dick can attest to this encounter.
3. He bullied Emilio and Bonnie when they were handing out flyers for my campaign. Saying that I was just running

because of the Sand Hill Project and that it would do no good because it was a done deal and I could not do anything about it.

4. At the DRB Meeting of June 21st, he disrupted the meeting by loudly (in the back of the room) to John Gillen only objected to John's presentation to the Board. Jonas had to tell him to be quiet. Dick Combs was again present.
5. At this same meeting he informed John Gillen and Kathy Culpo that he was going to be on the DRB starting in July.

I respectfully ask that the Select Board not appoint Mike Holden to the DRB at this time. The Board is in the middle of deliberations on the Sand Hill Project and would have to rehash everything to bring him up to date.

A person that has taken it upon himself to bully anyone that disagrees with him on this project cannot be considered fair and honest while making decisions.

I say at this time as I would not object to this appointment on future matters that come before the Board.

Respectfully

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