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TOWN OF ANDOVER
Board of Civil Authority Hearing Minutes
Location: Zoom
February 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chris Plumb, Donna Faturos, Raymond Makul, Ron Theissen, Scott Kendall, Maddy Bodin, Jeanette Haight, Jon Bliss

Members Absent: Reino Bergquist

Public Present: Fran & Leo Salazar

Jon Bliss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Ron Theissen nominated Jon Bliss to be the Chair of the Board of Civil Authority. Maddy seconded. Jon was unanimously elected.

Roll call was taken.

The agenda was accepted unanimously.

- Fran Salazar spoke up noting the most recent proposal on reapportionment (“LAB Alternate Map”) puts Andover in a group with all other “sending towns” (Jamaica, Londonderry, & Weston) and this is good for Andover’s representation at the State level in her opinion.
- Ray Makul said he generally agreed but spoke of the “contractual ties” Andover has with Chester. He also said the first plan grouping Andover with Ludlow made him uncomfortable.
- Maddy Bodin said she preferred the first proposal presented by the LAB, which grouped Andover with Londonderry & Ludlow as she believes there are more community ties with Ludlow than Jamaica. She talked about the physical distance between Andover & Jamaica, & expressed concern that if a representative from Jamaica was elected Andover could get ignored
- Fran said she disagreed again citing her belief that all “sending” towns have common goals
- Maddy reiterated that to her the first Plan was “middle ground”
- Chris Plumb weighed in saying to him the current plan is the best grouping from the perspective of representation at the State level
- Scott Kendall agreed with Chris
- Donna Faturos and Jeanette Haight agreed also, with Jeanette echoing Ray’s discomfort with being grouped with Ludlow in the first plan

After discussion about the method the feedback is to be delivered to the State, it was decided a vote wasn’t needed. Jeanette to provide the feedback to the State.

6. Adjourn.

- Ray moved to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. Ron seconded. So moved

