



Norfolk County-8 Coalition

November 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes



Time: 10:00am-10:30am
Virtual Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82485738457?jst=2

Attendance Roll Call

Voting members present:

Sam Menard, Dedham
Caroline Kinsella, Milton
Melissa Ranieri, Walpole
Jared Orsini, Westwood
Stacey Lane, Norwood (joined late)
Lenny Izzo, Wellesley (joined late)
Meg Goldstein, Canton (joined late)

Non-voting members present:

Aine Studdert-Kennedy, BME Strategies
Cynthia Baker, BME Strategies

I. Meeting Opening

4/7 communities present, quorum met.

Melissa Ranieri motioned to start the meeting. Caroline Kinsella seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Canton: Not present
Dedham: Y
Milton: Y
Norwood: Not present
Walpole: Y
Wellesley: Not present
Westwood: Y

The meeting was called to order at 10:07AM.

II. Review of Subcommittee Recommendations

BME Strategies provided an overview of the subcommittee's final three candidates. The coalition reviewed the primary candidate, Sarah Lavari. Subcommittee participants shared their feedback regarding Sarah's experience and credentials, emphasizing relevant work in her present role.



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The subcommittee also recommended Kerri Sands and Justin Huynh as secondary and tertiary candidates, respectively, for extension of an offer should the primary candidate decline.

A. Candidate Approval Vote

Lenny Izzo motioned to approve extension of an offer to primary candidate Sarah Lavari, and preemptively approve extension of offer to Kerri Sands (second candidate), followed by Justin Huynh (third candidate) if primary candidate declines. Stacey Lane seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Canton: Not present

Dedham: Y

Milton: Not present

Norwood: Y

Walpole: Y

Wellesley: Y

Westwood: Y

III. Meeting Closure

Melissa Ranieri motioned to adjourn the meeting. Stacey Lane seconded the motion.
The meeting adjourned at 10:26AM.