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Subject: Process Suggestion re: the ZBA's review of the Groton Farms 40B project

Bruce, and other members of the ZBA,

I watched tonight's public hearing live on the Groton Channel and would just like to buttress the suggestion made by Becky Pine early in the proceedings when you were taking comments about the process. I would suggest that you set up a specific Town email address related to this project for the public to submit their comments and issues to rather than having them go scatter-shot to the Planning Board, Takashi, Town Clerk, ZBA, or whomever.

I believe that if you set that up soon, together with the improvements to make the project more prominently displayed/findable on the Town website which Jack Petropoulos suggested at the end of your meeting and placing the email address there on the Town site, would be very helpful to consolidate and track public inputs that come in outside of the physical public hearings.

I also suggest that you try to use the Groton Center for future meetings -- that room looked ridiculously overcrowded tonight.

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The Select Board/FinComm recently held a joint public meeting there and it went very well in terms of public participation and in terms of coverage by Groton Channel for live and recorded viewing. That's it for now.

Cheers,

--Phil

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