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Hey Dave,

Hope everything is good with you. Thanks for all the time you put in as chair of the board of selectmen, you're doing a great job as is the rest of the board.

I heard about the vote to decide whether or not to negotiate a new contract for Troy Clarkson and wanted to show my support for him. As a business owner and VP of the chamber I think Troy has been great for the business community here in Hanover. When dealing with the chamber Troy has always been receptive, inclusive and impactful. His commitment to the business community in Hanover is obvious.

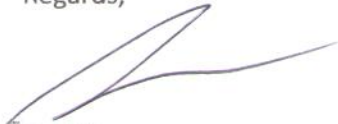
There are many examples of Troy's work benefitting the business community and town as a whole - as you're well aware one of his most recent contributions was his part in negotiating the TIF agreement between the town and PECO / Hanover Crossing. I think this is a huge win for the town.

Taking time for the business community is one thing, but a great litmus test for a person's character is how he or she deals with seniors and residents as a whole. I first met Troy 6 or 7 years ago when we bought a house here in town. We met at a meeting on a development that affected our new neighborhood. Some of the people who lived in our neighborhood were older and it was clear that some needed explanations on questions more than once. I was very impressed with the thoughtful and respectful way that Troy interacted with us residents. Though it was well into the night, he was patient and took the time to make sure that every person in the room understood his answers. I think that patience and transparency are key ingredients for a town manager to have, and I learned early on that Troy possesses both of these characteristics.

I hope the board votes to negotiate a new contract with Troy, in my opinion he has been and will continue to be a great leader for our town.

Thanks Dave!

Regards,



Josh Donovan



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