

Michael Moore

Candidate for Town Moderator

Vote April 14, 2012 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM



Dear Voter,

I'm writing to ask for your support of my candidacy for Town Moderator.

Having a Town Meeting that makes well-informed decisions benefits all of Billerica because those decisions affect the roads we all drive on, the water we drink, the schools we send our children to, and the services we offer to the community. As your Town Moderator, my focus will be on making sure Town Meeting has all of the resources needed to make those important decisions that impact your family and mine.

I'm running for Town Moderator because I believe Town Meeting could use some improvements – improvements designed to help make the meetings more efficient, more effective, and more transparent. We don't need to change everything but there are some simple things we can do to make the time we spend at Town Meeting more impactful and as Town Moderator, I will work with you and the Town Meeting Representatives to lead the process.

- **EFFICIENT:** I will remove unnecessary, time-wasting practices so we can focus on what matters: having well-informed discussions about warrant articles.
- **EFFECTIVE:** I will ensure presenters are better prepared and show up with all of the information needed to inform your decisions.
- **TRANSPARENT:** I will remove the mystery associated with how decisions are made that affect Town Meeting.

As your Town Moderator, I will make the position a year-round role, working with the various boards and committees to find opportunities to improve Town Meeting. I will work with the Rules Committee to update and improve the Town Meeting Representatives Handbook that has not been revised in many years. I will work with the Finance Committee to ensure we hear comprehensive recommendations on all financial warrant articles. These are just a few of my ideas. I know there are many opportunities to collaborate in our Town that will benefit Town Meeting.

I believe my experience as a Town Meeting Representative, as a member and now Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee, as an involved member of the community through activities like the Billerica Spelling Bee, and as a parent of three children will help me bring the right perspective to the role of Town Moderator.

To hear more about the type of Town Moderator I would be and to learn more about my ideas to improve Town Meeting, I invite you to join me for a casual meet and greet event on March 2, 2012:

Coffee with the Candidate
Friday, March 2, 2012, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Billerica Irish American Club, 616 Middlesex Turnpike, Billerica, MA 01821

If you're not able to join me on March 2nd, please feel free to visit my website to learn more about my ideas or feel free to call me at home (978) 362-2187.

I respectfully ask for your vote for Town Moderator on April 14, 2012. Polls are open 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Sincerely,

Michael Moore
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