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William Moonan – Candidate for Selectman

Incumbent and Caucus Nominee



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2016 Citizen's Caucus Statement

Good Evening! I want to thank Mike Rosenberg for his kind words in nominating me. As most of you know, I'm Bill Moonan and I would like to continue to represent you as one of your Selectmen.

During the 40 years I have been a town resident, I have been deeply involved in town activities and committees, but it wasn't until I became a Selectman that I found out what it was like to get really involved. Many of you may not be aware that each Selectman, beyond preparing for and attending the weekly Selectmen's meeting, is also the liaison to seven or eight other Town committees. As such, we attend those committee meetings to help coordinate the committees' interests with those of the Town as a whole. I serve as liaison to the Capital Expenditure Committee, the Cable Television Advisory Committee, the Council on Aging, the Historic District Commission, the Depot Park Advisory Committee, Town Center of Bedford, Inc, and the Chamber of Commerce. I also faithfully attend the Finance Committee meetings to better understand the issues with which they are struggling. I go to the meeting of these committees not only to listen, but to participate and to work outside those meetings to resolve problems.

As an entrepreneur who has renovated buildings, owned and operated a bird feeder company, negotiated the purchase and sale of companies, and served as chief financial officer of large

and small corporations, I find I use my life experiences every day at these committee meetings and in working for the Town. By raising questions regarding the source and use of funds, fellow decision-makers pause to consider the impact of their decisions on the taxpayers and the wisdom of proceeding with a project in its proposed form or on its proposed schedule before taking action.

As I look forward, it is clear that Bedford is facing increasing financial pressures that will need creative solutions. We are a victim of our own success: a well run town with excellent schools has encouraged more people to want to live here and this has lead to an increasing school population and the need for more class rooms in most of our schools. The Police and, particularly, the Fire Departments are in need of additional space, and there is the need to increase contributions to fund post-employment benefits. At the same time, taxpayers need the relief that can only come from growing the business base in the Town.

I want to continue to bring my skill-sets to the town for which I care so much. I believe that I can help keep Bedford on a course that will maintain our finest attributes while addressing the challenges of the 21st century. I believe I have the background and capability to help find those solutions while preserving this special place we know as Bedford, for those who will follow us.

I thank you for offering me this opportunity, and I ask for your support on Election Day.

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