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I had a chance to speak with Amy Luckiewicz today. She said last night's meeting went better than she expected. The Coalition has sent two letters to the HD and one to the Select Board. No answers.
The chair was surprisingly supportive though the proof is in the pudding. Amy is so riled up she wanted to do more. We worked on a letter that she wants to send to the Lynn HD. She lives in Lynn. Her dad taught in Lynn for forty years and died from a smoking related disease.
I think I already mentioned this but I'm going to hand-deliver informational packets to Town Hall. Amy said the meetings have all been virtual and she doesn't think Board members ever come to Town Hall. But I think it was the chair who asked for a hard copy of whatever reports Mark sends because he would have to print it out to read it anyway. Maybe he visits Town Hall. Of course, the Admin can send paper in the mail. Can't send nicotine in the mail. Might have to think more about what I can share with them. Photos are okay, better than nothing, but the actual product is more impactful. We'll see...

Waiting for a call from a Canadian reporter. We spoke briefly earlier today. Anthony Chui also spoke to him. He apparently is coming to the Boston area. Anyone else hear from him? Mathieu Perrault.

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From: Silbaugh, Katharine <silbaugh@bu.edu>
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That went very well with that board last night. It felt like the main impediment to NFG was Ron, which is really unfortunate. Any thoughts about strategy to get around him? Mark is going to send hard copies of information. Is there more we can do here? Ron seemed to want evidence. There was a study that said age 25 would be very effective at stopping initiation—I've heard people refer to it, but don't know what it is. Maybe that would help? Thanks—Kate.

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