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Subject: Qualification Shoot

All:

On August 11, I received a voicemail from Mr. Chris Albanese requesting a callback because he had some questions about the requirements for the qualification shoot for hunting on town-owned property. He is one of the people who applied for and won a slot in the lottery. I returned his call the next morning but reached his voicemail. I left a message that I was returning his call. He did not call me back.

On Saturday, August 20, Mr. Albanese arrived at the qualification shoot carrying a crossbow, which I immediately reminded him was not permitted under the ordinance regulations that everyone received. He commented that he must have missed the fine print. I again told him it was in the rules he had received. It was all cordial, and he said he would remain for the shoot to watch, which he did.

After the shoot, Mr. Albanese asked in conversation with myself, Steve Martic, and Mike Lamb (our independent judge) if a person could hunt on the Clark Farm with a crossbow. I again explained that only deer hunting is allowed under the program, and that crossbows are not permitted anywhere on town property under the rules of the program, and that there are only two properties in the program, of which the Clark Farm is one. He then asked if he could hunt with a compound bow, which the program does permit. I explained that he would have to pass a qualification test to receive a permission slip. Mike Lamb very kindly offered to coordinate with him if he would like to take the test, even though prior email correspondence clearly stated that the qualification shoot would only be conducted on the same day for all participants.

Mr. Albanese received all the communications regarding this program, so none of this should have been new information for him, and I'm passing this interaction along as background in case anyone receives any questions from him.

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