

From: **Richard Foster** <[rfoster@longmeadow.org](mailto:rfoster@longmeadow.org)>  
Date: Tue, Jul 21, 2020 at 12:43 PM  
Subject: Behavior  
To: Thomas Lachiusa <[tlachiusa@longmeadow.org](mailto:tlachiusa@longmeadow.org)>

As Chair you allowed a visitor to insinuate that the wife of one of our Select Board members was likely a racists without intervention.

This is a new low for our board.

Richard

**From:** [Thomas Lachiusa](#)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2020 4:58 PM  
**To:** [Richard Foster](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting

Hi Richard,

The issue of racism cannot be handled in a business as usual approach. My understanding was the woman he was commenting about was the friend of a business associate. You may want to listen to it again. Bill, the individual who spoke was sitting next to a resident.

Tom

On Tue, Jul 21, 2020 at 4:48 PM Richard Foster <[rfoster@longmeadow.org](mailto:rfoster@longmeadow.org)> wrote:

There is a lot of confusion about last night meeting, but there is a good chance that the guy was talking about the other guys wife instead of Steve's . But he was still spreading the thoughts of racism in our community which is not a positive message.

Other person that spoke was not a resident of our community and should not have addressed our board.

Resident comments have always been two minutes.