

**TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
Town Hall- 16 School Street  
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275  
February 9, 2022**

**Call to Order**

The Allenstown Economic Development Committee Meeting of February 9, 2022 was called to order by Chairman Mike Frascinella.

Chair Frascinella called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Present on the Board: Chair Frascinella, Ron Adinolfo, Scott McDonald, Rich Caruso

Absent: Jeff Venegas, Chad Pelissier

Allenstown Resident: Mike Vachon

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **Ice Rink:**

Mr. Adinolfo said it has been a learning year and Mr. Vachon has volunteered a lot of his time. He said the Parish Priest was able to hold his skate event on Sunday morning. He said they have some skates that they will be able to loan out.

Mr. Adinolfo said the ice or water is pushing up the side protectors, bumpers and clips and they are not sure why. He said they will have to look at it once the ice thaws. Another issue he said is that they are getting close to the max ice line depth. He said it has not been optimal weather for the ice rink this year.

He said it is a very intense process and he would like to sit down with the Board and volunteers at the end of the season to come up with a plan for next year.

He said the school has been very gracious with regard to assisting with maintaining the rules.

Mr. Adinolfo said Mark Boisvert said one of his cousins runs a few rinks at Tilton Prep and could be a future resource. He thanked Mr. Vachon and the rest of the volunteers for their assistance. He thinks that it will only get more and more popular moving forward.

Chair Frascinella inquired regarding a snow fence. Mr. Adinolfo said they couldn't do that this year because the frost had settled in very quickly but next year will become a priority.

Chair Frascinella asked if they need to obtain a snowblower or a tractor with a bucket to be used. Mr. Adinolfo said he donated a snowblower to the rink. He said an ice rink meeting for next year will be

helpful to determine what they need. Mr. Frascinella asked where they could store the equipment. Mr. Adinolfo said they have been storing it at the town shack where it is warm.

The Board discussed a warming shed and an equipment shed for next year. Mr. Adinolfo said the old warming hut also stored equipment, and they also acquired a snowmobile trailer from the police department.

Mr. Adinolfo said the project is an ever revolving recreational area, as in prior days, there were tennis court and basketball courts. Mr. McDonald said he is hoping this land area will stay with the Town as it is an ideal location.

- **Historic Site Markers:**

Chair Frascinella said at this point, he is still trying to update the booklet and get the old photographs into it. He said when they go to talk to people to ask if they can have a marker at their property, they will be able to show them what they are trying to accomplish to promote history of the Town.

Chair Frascinella said that they had previously discussed QR codes with Jeff Venegas and they will be able to get the signs produced at the NH State Prison workshop for less than \$100 per sign..

- **Commercial Properties Work Session:**

Chair Frascinella asked if anyone knew of any new business development since the last meeting. He said they need to find out who owns the Plourde Sand and Gravel land at the top of the hill and what their intentions are.

- **Concerts**

Chair Frascinella said he was able to sign up two musicians but Dusty Gray backed out and said he did not think he would be doing any concerts. He said they have Nicole Knox Murphy down for June 12<sup>th</sup>, and she is asking for \$175.00. He said Catfish Howl is down for August 14<sup>th</sup> but they have a five piece band and they increased their price to \$400. He asked whether those two performers acceptable and if there is somebody else they should think about having.

Chair Frascinella said they should keep the dates as is until they find someone and he plans on contacting the food truck. He said they could ask Mr. Klawes to see if he has the dates open.

Mr. McDonald said they could talk to Jeff Venegas and his wife Crystal into running a corn hole tournament again to offset the costs. He is hoping that he will be able to get the ice cream truck to come again too.

He said they will need an artist for May 15<sup>th</sup> as of right now. He said they should try to obtain donations from local businesses to assist with costs.

Chair Frascinella said they decided a movie night could take place in mid-September and they have plenty of time to decide on a movie.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2022 EDC project list and budget:**

- **State Park Passes**

With regard to the State Park passes, he believed there was a consensus to go ahead and purchase another. He wasn't sure whether to ask the Library if they want to purchase the pass themselves. Mr. Caruso said they should advertise it more.

- **Boat Launch**

Chair Frascinella said he will skim over the boat launch as Mr. Pelissier may be the best one to discuss that. He said he has a contact with the wood carver regarding the fishing bear and will contact him in the spring.

He said they got \$5,000 for the budget this year. Mr. McDonald said Parks and Rec has a fair amount in their Parks and Rec fund..

- **Lighting Contests**

Chair Frascinella said the dates are locked down and they had discussed the Police Departments picking out a winner for a special award. They will have 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and the special award. He said not enough people in town register for the contest.

He said they will advertise with yard signs.

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## **REVIEW PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

Chair Frascinella said that the meeting minutes had not yet been typed.

Mr. Caruso made a Motion to adjourn. Mr. Adinolfo seconded the Motion.  
Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye  
Scott McDonald- Aye  
Ron Adinolfo- Aye  
Rich Caruso- Aye  
The Motion passed.

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Michael Frascinella, Chairman



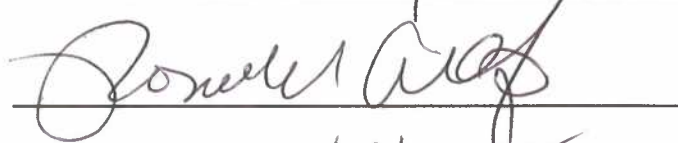
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Chad Pelissier, Vice Chairman



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Ron Adinolfo, Member



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