# TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Town Hall- 16 School Street Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275 February 23, 2022

## Call to Order

The Allenstown Economic Development Committee Meeting of February 23, 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, Chad Pelissier

Absent: Jeff Venegas

Scott McDonald made a Motion that in Jeffrey Venegas' absence, that Rich Caruso become a voting member. Mr. Adinolfo seconded the Motion.

Mike Frascinella- Aye Scott McDonald- Aye Ron Adinolfo- Aye Chad Pelissier- Aye Rich Caruso- Aye

The Motion passed.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

#### • Ice Rink:

Mr. Adinolfo said the ice rink is being deconstructed because of the weather. He said he is going to give New Ice a call to see if other rinks had the same issue they have been having with the side protectors and it is a learning process this year. He said that part of the boards had separated and the water was leaking out but they were going to need to drain it anyway.

Mr. Adinolfo said he and the volunteers would meet over the summer to discuss ideas and plans for next year.

The Board discussed various ideas relating to the issues with the rink including paving an area slightly larger than the rink to avoid the frost issues.

He said the rental skates were prepared, and they have them for next year. He said Derik Goodine said they will be receiving more skates.

Mr. Adinolfo said perhaps they can apply for a grant to put a pavilion over it to lengthen the season.

Mr. Pelissier said leaves are bad for the ice surface that cause divots.

Mr. Pelissier thanked all of the Highway Department for their help with the rink.

# **Historic Site Markers:**

Chair Frascinella said he did more work on the booklet for the walking tour.

Mr. Adinolfo said the oldest house on the corner is not the actual oldest house. Chair Frascinella said the train station that used to be next to the library actually ended up down the street on the opposite side of the road and someone turned it into a garage.

Chair Frascinella said they need to wait until the weather is nice and photograph the places to see what they look like now, and approach the private homes to notify the homeowner of the plaques on the town easements as a courtesy. Mr. Adinolfo asked if it would be more appropriate for Mr. Goodine to send a letter as opposed to knocking on doors. Mr. McDonald said the letter could come from the EDC and attach a copy of the booklet. Mr. Frascinella said perhaps as a precursor, they could send out the notice with a visually located spot on their property to put the plaque on. Mr. Adinolfo said Mr. Pelissier, the Road Agent, would have to weigh in because of plowing and clearing of sidewalks.

# • Commercial Properties Work Session:

Chair Frascinella said they need to do a bit more regarding who owns the Plourde Sand and Gravel land at the top of the hill and what their intentions are.

#### • Summer Concerts

Chair Frascinella said he sent a link out regarding Jackie Lee, who will play solo for \$200. Mr. Caruso said he saw her perform at the Hilltop Restaurant in Epsom and she plays "blues rock" with a big local following. Chair Frascinella has asked her for more videos.

He said they also have BoneShakerz which is more of a rock band. He said they are a three piece band for \$500. He said for the August concert, Catfish Howl agreed to play for \$350. The May 15<sup>th</sup> date is open.

Mr. Pelissier and Mr. McDonald like the idea of having BoneShakerz as it is something different.

Chair Frascinella said the concert with a the Corn Hole Tournament last year had the largest attendance.

Mr. Caruso said they could advertise the concert on the Allenstown community Facebook page that Don Chase runs as it will reach a lot of people.

The Board agreed to table this for the next meeting.

#### Boat Launch

Chair Frascinella asked Mr. Pelissier if he is able to give quotes for the picnic tables and barbeques. Mr. Pelissier said the BBQ grills were under \$200 apiece. He said he plans to build the frames out of metal and put wood on top of them, but he does not yet have a quote for those. He said they will attach the table to cement in the ground.

Mr. Pelissier said it could wait until May or early June as it gives them more time to clean up. Chair Frascinella said he plans to contact the wood carver regarding the fishing bear in April.

#### State Park Passes

Chair Frascinella said he sent mail to Betsi Randlett asking if the library wants to purchase a state park pass.

## • 2022 EDC project list:

The Board discussed at the last meeting having a town bonfire next year.

Chair Frascinella said the school is looking to have a yard sale and inquired whether the town was planning on having a town wide one as well. He said that they should plan it the weekend before Pembroke's yard sale.

Mr. Caruso made a Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Mr. Adinolfo seconded the Motion. Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye Scott McDonald- Aye Ron Adinolfo- Aye Rich Caruso- Aye Chad Pelissier- Aye

The Motion passed.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** February 23, 2022 Michael Frascinella, Chairman Date signed Chad Pelissier, Vice Chairman Date signed Ron Adinolfo, Member Date signed Jeffrey Venegas, Member **Date Signed** Rich Caruso, Alternate Member Date signed 16 MAR 202 Scott McDonald, Selectman Rep.

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