# TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Town Hall- 16 School Street Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275 April 27, 2022

# Call to Order

The Allenstown Economic Development Committee Meeting of April 27, 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, Rich Caruso, Chad Pelissier, Scott McDonald

Excused: Jeff Venegas, Ron Adinolfo

Other: Derik Goodine

# **OLD BUSINESS**

### • Ice Rink:

Chair Frascinella said that the Highway Department has removed and stored all components of the rink and he would like to thank them for that. Mr. Pelissier said it is stored in the basement except for the tarps which are at the Highway Department.

# • Historic Site Markers

Chair Frascinella said he finished putting the old photographs in the booklet and the descriptions are also in there. He said the next task will be taking current photographs of these sites. He said he hopes to photograph them from the same vantage point as the old photographs.

Chair Frascinella said he is still working through the logistics of the printing, etc. for the booklets.

The second part of the project is putting together the historic markers and Mr. Caruso said he would start visiting the homes. They still need to figure out where to place the actual markers and finalize the plaques with the State Prison. He said they have to measure to find out how much text can fit on the plaque.

Chair Frascinella said he has been thinking about what are the best properties to identify and would fit along the path from the Town Hall to China Mill. He asked the Board if they have a copy of the "Suncook Village" book so they can make sure that he hasn't excluded any historic site that is worth presenting. He said that he refers back to Carol Martel's Suncook Village book as their source and he would like to bridge the past and the present.

Chair Frascinella said he could send a copy/ template of the wording for the plaques to everyone to review.

# • Commercial Properties Work Session

Mr. Pelissier said the property owner's at Pork Chop Hill recently lost a loved one so there may be a shuffle period as to who will regain ownership and they will have to keep this on the back burner. He would assume they wouldn't be interested in doing much with it at this point.

Mr. Goodine said that he has not heard anything about the property near Family Dollar and he had recently left them a message.

### Summer Concerts

Chair Frascinella said the web announcements for the concerts have gone out. Mr. Caruso said he grabbed three yard signs today and Mr. McDonald said he will get his out as well.

Chair Frascinella said they have the porta potties reserved, Student Council and the ice cream truck both signed up and it looks as though the Fire Department will bring a truck. He said he was still thinking about soliciting donations from local companies and asked Mr. Goodine if they could do that. Mr. Goodine said that should not be a problem. Mr. Pelissier thought it was an issue in the past but Mr. Goodine will double check.

Mr. Pelissier sent Chair Frascinella information regarding potential food trucks that may be willing to discuss future events.

### Corn Hole Tournaments

Chair Frascinella said he hasn't seen anyone interested in signing up for Corn Hole. He said that Mr. Venegas handled it last year but they will see how it goes going forward.

# • Town wide Yard Sale:

Chair Frascinella said shortly after the concert, they have the yard sale. He is not sure how many others have signed up so far.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# • Flags and Banners:

Chair Frascinella said he received an email from Eversource that they are still reviewing the map that was sent with the application. They did not think it would be a problem as they are using the same poles as last year. He said at this point, there is probably no rush when they go up but he will let Mr. Pelissier know when he gets a thumbs up.

# • 2022 EDC project list:

Chair Frascinella said he reached out to Clayton George, their wood carver regarding the work on the fishing bear. Mr. Pelissier located a fishing pole that they can use between the bear's paws. He is hopeful that will be ready in the next couple of months.

Chair Frascinella said for the bonfire for the ice rink, they are probably going to wait until the fall to start working on it. He said the elementary school has a huge field, but doesn't know how accessible it is. Mr. Pelissier said there is a gas line that runs through that field so that may not be a good idea.

Mr. Pelissier asked whether they could do something that would highlight a business in town each month to advertise in the newspaper. Mr. Goodine said that they could do this each month or quarter to support the business and business could need to highlight a product to sample. Mr. Pelissier said it could get the lesser known businesses out to the community for promotion. He said it doesn't have to say a lot. Mr. Goodine said Facebook reaches a lot more people than a website. There are a list of town businesses in the town directory and the Board discussed starting there and sending an email out to find out who would like to participate. Chair Frascinella said they could showcase two for the first time.

The Board also discussed community service opportunities that could be carried out.

### **REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Mr. Pelissier made a Motion to accept April 13, 2022 minutes as written. Mr. Caruso seconded the Motion.

Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye

Scott McDonald- Aye

Rich Caruso- Aye

Chad Pelissier- Aye.

The Motion passed.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

Chair Frascinella said the next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Chair Frascinella said he did receive an email from Jackie Lee who told him she is not performing any local concerts before the concert. Mr. Goodine said they will need the tent set up and Chair Frascinella said they should do this a day or two in advance.

Mr. Pelissier made a Motion to adjourn at 7:48 pm. Mr. Caruso seconded the Motion.

Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye

Scott McDonald- Aye

Rich Caruso- Aye

Chad Pelissier- Aye

The Motion passed.

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** April 27, 2022

Michael Frascinella, Chairman	Muhay Frasciolla  Date signed May 11, 2022
Chad Pelissier, Vice Chairman	
Rich Caruso, Member	Date signed  Date signed 11 MAY 3032
Ron Adinolfo, Member	Date signed MAY ( 3022
Jeffrey Venegas, Member	
	Date Signed
Scott McDonald, Selectman Rep.	
	Date signed