

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Town Hall 16 School Street
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275
September 11, 2019

The September 11, 2019 meeting of the Economic Development Committee was called to order by Chairman Mike Frascinella at 6:44 pm. He called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mike Frascinella, Maureen Higham, Chad Pelissier, Scott McDonald
Allenstown staff: Derik Goodine, Town Administrator

OLD BUSINESS

▪ **Town Signs**

Chair Frascinella said that Town Clerk Kathleen Pelissier gave him contact information for the manager of the sign shop at the State Prison so that he can order name plates for the bears from them. He reported that the welcome sign on Route 28 was bent over and had scuff marks on the post. This was probably done when personnel from the Highway Department were mowing. He plans to contact Marc Boisvert about adding more cement to hold the signs more firmly.

▪ **Plans for Grand Opening Ceremonies**

Chair Frascinella stated that 603 Self-Storage is too busy to have a grand opening. At his meeting with Charlie Morgan, he learned of the three businesses there: a shuttle service for delivery of packages and pallets of equipment; a records management company; and Vault Vehicle Storage. He said that Deb Avery of the State Economic Development office told him that property owners on River Road want to establish a farmers' market. They plan to have a brick oven loaded onto a trailer so they can cater parties. They have one such business in Tuftonboro.

▪ **Fall Concert at Town Hall**

Chair Frascinella said that the concert will be funded, thanks to the good will of the Board of Selectmen. It was determined that funds could not be taken from the Economic Development capital reserve fund for this, so the Board graciously offered to provide up to \$650 for the event. Jeff Venegas has reported that the Library is planning activities for the Concert, and the ARD Student Council will be there as well. Mr. Venegas's wife will be making the flyers soon. He said they will need to contact town departments with sign boards about advertising the Concert – the one at Town Hall and perhaps the one at the school if it is available. Mr. Goodine has ordered 50 lawn signs, which are scheduled to arrive in about ten days. Scott McDonald has 40 wire stakes and Sandy McKenney has some as well, so those will not have to be purchased. Mr. McDonald will prepare a map of where the signs can be placed, and they can coordinate teams to place them.

- **Pole Banners**

Ms. Higham showed the members the sample banner she ordered. It was double-sided.

Mr. Pelissier said that the ten-inch seal was a good size, and the other members agreed. They also discussed colors for the background and lettering.

Mr. Goodine said that the money for the banners could come out of the Economic Development capital reserve fund.

- **Bear Brook State Park**

Chair Frascinella reported that Senator Reagan attended the September 9th Selectboard meeting, along with Philip Bryce, who is the Director of the NH Division of Parks & Recreation. Mr. Bryce explained that the State Parks are self-funded, so they do not issue free or reduced-price passes. They do have passes for libraries which they sell for \$105. They are season passes which will admit two adults and four children. They can be issued for one day at a time all through the season. These do not have to be returned to the library because they are tracked on line and programmed to expire.

Mr. Pelissier noted that the library is not open often. He said perhaps the passes could be picked up at Town Hall or reserved on line.

Chair Frascinella suggested inviting the librarian to their next meeting.

- **Skateboard Park**

Chair Frascinella said that he called Mr. Venegas's contact at the church regarding use of the parking lot at the convent for a skateboard park. She said they have been busy with a serious roof leak at the church. She also said the convent will be up for sale in the near future.

- **Holiday Door Decorating Contest**

Chair Frascinella asked if a member would consider organizing this activity.

Mr. Pelissier said the prize could be a trophy, which would be kept for a year until the next contest.

Chair Frascinella said they would need three judges.

- **Hometown Hero Banners**

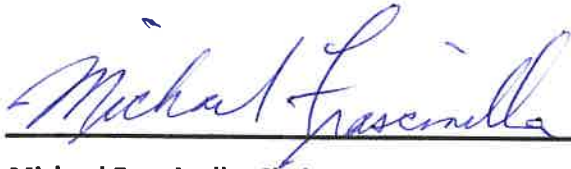
Chair Frascinella said he would like to dedicate School Street to these special banners. He said that maybe it is time for a Town Newsletter with an in-depth article about this project.

Schedule the next meeting

Chair Frascinella set October 2nd as the date for the next meeting and said he will invite the librarian.

Mr. Pelissier made a motion to adjourn at 7:43 pm. Mr. McDonald seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2019



Michael Frascinella, Chairman

Date signed 10/23/19



Chad Pelissier, Member

Date signed 10-23-19

Jeffrey Venegas, Member

Date signed _____



Scott McDonald, Member

Date signed ~~10-23-19~~

Maureen Higham, BOS Ex-Officio Member

Date signed _____