

**TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Town Hall- 16 School Street
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275
October 26, 2022**

Call to Order

The Allenstown Economic Development Committee Meeting of October 26, 2022 was called to order at 6:35 by Chairman Mike Frascinella.

Chair Frascinella lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present on the Board: Chair Mike Frascinella, Ron Adinolfo, Nancy Beaulieu, Lisa Lemire, Rich Caruso

Others: Derik Goodine, Town Administrator, Mike Landers and Mike Vachon, volunteers with Ron Adinolfo regarding ice rink, Trish Caruso

Excused: Scott McDonald, Selectboard Member, Chad Pelissier

OLD BUSINESS

- **Historic Site Markers**

Chair Frascinella said he is going to take this of the agenda for a bit because they still have not had a change to finish the marker texts and get photographs of the sites as they look today in contrast to Allenstown of the past.

- **Fishing Bear**

Chair Frascinella said he finally heard back from the wood carver indicating that he hadn't even started to work on it. He gave details of the kind of oil finish that he uses and passed the information off to Mr. Pelissier. He said that they will push this off until next spring.

- **Local Spotlight Series**

Ms. Lemire and Ms. Beaulieu interviewed Fiber n' Forge, the new craft shop located next to Subway. Chair Frascinella will upset the EDC website with information regarding the shop.

He thought they might want to donate a gift card for the Christmas context in December.

- **Halloween Contest**

Mr. McDonald had sent Mr. Frascinella a spreadsheet listing all of the people that voted and there were a total of 90. He said he can't say anything but there are three obvious winners. He said there were a couple of strange things that happened via the website and also some voted two or three times with different email addresses.

Ms. Lemire said they should specify next year one vote per household. The Board discussed various rules going forward in order to improve the process.

He wants to talk to Eric Lambert to see if the Fire Department wants to also vote for a favorite house along with the Police Department. Mr. McDonald purchased the trophies.

Chair Frascinella also thought it would be a good idea to award a trophy to a home that didn't register.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Ice Rink 2022 Preparation**

Ron Adinolfo introduced two of his key volunteers for the ice rink.

He met with Mr. Pelissier today and discussed the fact that they need a place to store equipment. Mr. Pelissier is going to look into building a 10 x 12 storage shed that they can bring on or off site. They also discussed obtaining a structure to keep people out of the elements, as well as a couple of fire pits.

When they took it down in the spring, they noticed holes in the liner and they have a plan to troubleshoot it. They are looking at Thanksgiving to put the rink up.

Mr. Adinolfo said they still have skate donations from last year.

The Board discussed outdoor heating alternatives.

- **New Concert/ Bands for 2023**

Chair Frascinella said they had discussed having BoneShakerz and Out on Bail as bands for next year but they need a third band.

He said BoneShakerz was a great show and he also enjoyed watching Out on Bail. The Board discussed other options including Jennifer Mitchell, who had a five piece band. Chair Frascinella said he has noticed the price creeping up for a few hour concert. Ms. Lemire said the bands are a bit more exciting than a solo musician.

Chair Frascinella said he would like to do May, June and August but wants to pick a Sunday where nothing else is going on. The Board discussed potential dates. Chair Frascinella said Pembroke's concerts are usually on Saturday nights in August. He said they will look into getting the same type of

sign that they had this past August as discussed previously. Chair Frascinella said he would like a car show at every concert next year.

- **Christmas Lighting Contest**

Chair Frascinella said they need to pick days for the contest. He showed the Board the web page for last year. He said the dates to register will be November 16 until December 1st. He said they could do the awards on December 17th which is a Saturday, with the voting to start the 1st through the 15th. The bonfire could start a bit before the awards ceremony.

Mr. Landers discussed dressing up as Santa and driving through Allentown with the side-by-side. The Board thought it would be a great idea. He said he would like to try to get this planned coinciding with the awards ceremony.

Trish Caruso mentioned they should check when Pembroke is having their Christmas in the Village celebration also to make sure they are not conflicting events.

Ms. Lemire said she will call Mike Stark about the mini parade through town on the day of the ceremony.

Ms. Lemire and Ms. Beaulieu asked whether they need to prepare for the Halloween Ceremony. Chair Frascinella said he will provide them with the spreadsheet to verify first, second and third place. They are waiting to hear from the Police and Fire Departments about their choice of winners. Ms. Lemire said they should all introduce themselves at the beginning of the ceremony.

REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES

Ms. Lemire made a Motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 12, 2022. Mr. Pelissier seconded the Motion.

Mike Frascinella- Aye
Ron Adinolfo-Abstain
Lisa Lemire- Aye
Nancy Beaulieu- Aye
Rich Caruso- Abstain
The Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 9, 2022.

Ms. Lemire made a Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Ms. Beaulieu seconded the Motion.

Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye
Ron Adinolfo-Aye
Lisa Lemire- Aye
Nancy Beaulieu- Aye
The Motion passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

October 26, 2022

Michael Frascinella, Chairman



Date signed 11/9/22

Rich Caruso, Alternate Member



Date signed 11/9/22

Ron Adinolfo, Member



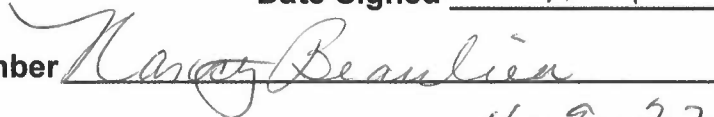
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Lisa Lemire, Member



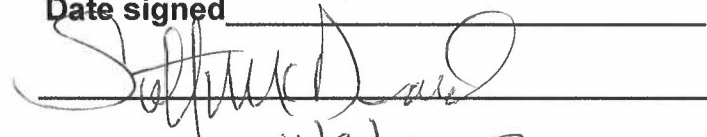
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Nancy Beaulieu, Member



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Scott McDonald, Selectman Rep.



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