

**TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
Town Hall- 16 School Street  
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275  
November 30, 2022**

**Call to Order**

The Allenstown Economic Development Committee Meeting of November 9, 2022 was called to order at 6:30 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, Mike Landers, Scott McDonald, Select Board Member

Other: Derik Goodine, Town Administrator, volunteers with Rich Caruso regarding ice rink, Chad Pelissier

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **Spotlight on Local Business- Interview with Wolf Storage still undone**

Chair Frascinella said their transcriptionist hasn't yet transcribed the interview.

He said asked if anyone knows of any other businesses that can be interviewed.

Ms. Lemire said there is a new business called Obie97 Automotive in Town which is in the same building as the prior Martel's and is owned by Pete Obuchon. He said that he was willing to be part of the Spotlight Series.

- **Christmas Lighting Contests & Santa Tour**

Chair Frascinella said so far, he has only posted two homes. Lisa said that she and Nancy have not yet sent out flyers and wanted to first clarify the time of the Santa Tour.

Mr. Pelissier said the list of streets for the tour looks more daunting than it is. He just wanted it to be clear for the driver. He said the sirens will also give families an idea when they are close.

The Board decided that 2:30 was an appropriate start time for the Santa Tour starting at the Police Station.

Chair Frascinella said he will put a link to the streets that will be visited on the website for reference.

Mr. Pelissier asked if they were doing special Police and Fire Awards. The Board said yes as well as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Mr. Frascinella said they would like to have local businesses to donate prizes. Ms. Lemire and Ms. Beaulieu said that Fiber and Forge were willing to donate and they would work together to obtain gift certificates for the winners. Mr. McDonald said he would obtain the trophies.

- **Bonfire Pit**

Mr. Pelissier said the Selectboard talked about this at the last meeting and they suggested burn barrels as opposed to building a fire pit. He said he would prefer not to use 55 gallon drums but he has someone trying to collect dryers with a stainless steel drum and they can be spread out. He said they have a couple of prisoners helping out with tasks for \$10-12 per hour and that has been very helpful. They could assist with cutting the wood.

- **ARD Food and Caroling**

Chair Frascinella said he got a final confirmation from ARD that the student council will have a bake sale. He said they could arrive around 3:30 pm to set up their baked goods. He is also hoping to have students from the student chorus join them. The awards conclude the ceremony.

Mr. Pelissier inquired regarding a Christmas tree which is usually set up in the gazebo. He said that he can try to take care of this.

Ms. Lemire asked if they should extend the lighting contest any further. Chair Frascinella said he would like to see 8-12 houses in this contest.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Ice Rink 2022 Preparations**

Ron Adinolfo said he and Mr. Pelissier have been working for the past couple of days on this. He said that for a warming area, they are going to use a temporary shelter, 13 x 10 x 20 long and 10 ft. high. They will put benches inside. Mr. Adinolfo said that this will cost approximately \$1700 and will be PVC white. He said they may be able to put small fire pits in there for warmth.

Additionally, they are going to purchase a 20 foot storage container (metal) to store their equipment. He has found 5-6 vendors but there is a supply chain issue. There was only one vendor that had one in stock. He said Mr. Pelissier's cousin just bought one and will give to the Town for \$5,000 with free delivery.

He said there will also be railings installed for the workers.

Mr. Adinolfo said that they are not going to use the liner this year and they came up with another way to do it using rolled plastic which is more conducive to weather conditions.

Mr. Adinolfo said he and Mr. Pelissier also talked about the supports between each of the panels, and they are going to spike them into the dirt with 10 inch railroad spikes which will prevent the wind from blowing it.

He said he found another snow blower to be donated but his next task is to buy a new one.

Mr. Pelissier said he spoke to another gentleman in town and explained the situation currently with the ice rink. The next day, he heard from the individual who said that if Mr. Pelissier could find hockey boards for the rink, his companies would pay for them and donate them to the Town of Allenstown. This individual said he would also get them to pave under the boards so the kids could use them permanently in the summer months, as well as donate a warming hut or pieces of it to help. He also said that they could fence the top of the Boards and get another person to pay for the electricity.

Mr. Pelissier said when he spoke to someone from Tilton Prep, he was informed they only got 16 days of skating in last year due to weather.

He said the weekend of Thanksgiving, Portsmouth opened their outdoor ice skating rink because they have a refrigeration system underneath. Mr. Pelissier said from what he has read, they run very efficiently and perhaps in the future they could use a bit of grant money to do this down the road.

The Board had a discussion about the Allenstown boat ramp.

- **New Concert Bands**

Chair Frascinella said they need to contact Boneshakerz, Out on Bail, and Jennifer Mitchell Band for concert dates and fees. The dates selected are May 21, June 25, and August 20.

Mr. Caruso said that Jennifer Mitchell had agreed on June 25<sup>th</sup> for \$500.

### **REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Chair Frascinella said there are no minutes available from the last meeting.

The Board discussed advertising material for the Santa Tour.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

Mr. Adinolfo made a Motion to adjourn a 8:49 pm. Ms. Lemire seconded the Motion.

Roll Call vote was taken.

Mike Frascinella- Aye

Ron Adinolfo-Aye

Richard Caruso-Aye

Lisa Lemire- Aye

Nancy Beaulieu- Aye

Scott McDonald- Aye

The Motion passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

November 30, 2022

Michael Frascinella, Chairman

Michael Frascinella

Date signed

2/8/23

Rich Caruso, Member

Rich Caruso

Date signed

2-8-2023

Ron Adinolfo, Member

Ron Adinolfo

Date signed

2-8-2023

Lisa Lemire, Member

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Date Signed

2-8-23

Nancy Beaulieu, Member

Nancy Beaulieu

Date signed

3/8/23

Scott McDonald, Selectman Rep.

Scott McDonald

Date signed

2/8/23

Chad Pelissier, Alternate

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Date signed

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Mike Landers, Alternate

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