



# **Town of Hopkinton, NH**

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### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018**

The meeting of the Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting was called to order by Acting Chair LeeAnne Vance at 7:02 p.m. on Thursday, July 19, 2018, in the large meeting room in the Town Hall.

**Members Present:** Byron Carr, Lester Cressy, LeeAnne Vance, Jim Fredyma, Steve Lux, Jr., Anna Wells

**Members Absent:** Tom Congoran, Erik Newman, Bob Gerseny

**Staff Present:** Neal Cass (Town Administrator)

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The Board reviewed the minutes of their previous meeting. Ms. Wells made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carr, to approve the Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2018. Ms. Vance called for the vote.

**VOTE:** Carr, Cressy, Vance, Fredyma, Lux, and Wells voting in favor of the motion; no votes against; Lux abstained; MOTION APPROVED 5-0-1

#### **Town Branding**

Mr. Gerseny reported via the agenda that the idea was presented to the Select Board who agreed it has merit but needs to have a strong plan around it and would require at least 3 proposals if a company is used to do it. After further discussion it was decided:

1. Mr. Cressy will contact Roger Turcotte and invite him to an upcoming meeting to discuss the idea and obtain his input.
2. The Town Administrator will see if other towns have done something similar as well as have conversations with Stewart Arnett and Hoyle Tanner, our current consultants.

#### **Hart's Corner TIF District Area**

The appraisal of the properties involved in the land swap has been completed and the numbers look positive. The title work on these properties is currently being conducted. Mr. Gerseny and Ms. Vance will be meeting with Mrs. Hart and her son soon.

#### **Exit 6 TIF District Area**

No update at this time.

**Contoocook Village Area**

Mr. Carr reported that there is an upcoming meeting concerning painting the railroad bridge. Information is being gather concerning sidewalks, crosswalks, and parking signs. The following additional items are in the works:

1. The Town Administrator will work to rejuvenate the river access plan and search for potential grants for this work.
2. Ms. Vance and Ms. Wells will connect with those at Plan NH to gather information on why we did not receive a grant to review our zoning to update the housing sections.
3. Ms. Vance will bring back a plan to implement flags in Contoocook Village.
4. There will be Wednesday concert continuing into the fall at the bandstand co-sponsored by the Contoocook Chamber of Commerce and the Merle Dustin Concert Fund.

**Burnham Intervale Area**

Mr. Fredyma reported that he and Mr. Newman have been working on this area. He updated the Committee on the following:

1. Currently the area is in the M-1 zoning district
2. An overlay district could be adopted by the town.
3. There currently is a dwelling unit cap at 50 and the units must be built in stages
4. The subcommittee will be gathering input from all the property owners in the area
5. There will be a report back to the EDC in either September or October
6. Not likely to propose any zoning changes for this area at the 2019 Town Meeting.

**Election of a Chair**

Mr. Gerseny will no longer be the chair. After discussion, it was determined that Ms. Vance will be the Acting Chair until the next meeting when more discussion on this will take place.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, August 16, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – Hopkinton Town Hall**  
Discussion will include plans for Town Meeting 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Neal Cass, Town Administrator