



Town of Hopkinton

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 – 5:30 P.M.

Hopkinton Town Hall

Members Present: Louise Carr, Sam Delgado, Andrea Folsom, Jim Fredyma, Ian Hart,
Alexander Pooler, Greg Sagris, Steven Whitley

Members Absent: Meredith Lee

Public Present: Michael Wilkey, Rob Dapice

Staff Present: Anna Wells

I. CALL TO ORDER

Steven Whitley called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from [January 4, 2023](#)

Andrea Folsom made a motion to approve the *Economic Development Committee minutes of January 4, 2022*. Greg Sagris seconded. There was no discussion. **Motion passed 8-0.**

III. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Housing Committee Draft Charge

Based on Select Board and Planning Board meeting schedules, Ms. Wells explained that the soonest possible opportunity to present the draft charge to the Select Board will be February 27th. The EDC discussed at great length the roles and responsibilities enumerated in the draft Housing Committee charge with input from Michael Wilkey and Rob Dapice. Ms. Wells will revise the draft and the group will discuss it again on February 1. The full Planning Board will discuss it at their meeting on February 14.

2. Downtowns and Trails Steering Committee

The Committee discussed their ongoing outreach to assemble a Steering Committee for the Downtowns and Trails Program. To date, 12 people have responded in the affirmative. Ms. Wells will contact the members and coordinate a first meeting with the UNH staff.

IV. UPDATES

1. RTP Grant

(past; granted)

Still waiting on TDS deed

2. T-Mobile Hometown Grant (submitted; notification in March)
3. InvestNH Housing Opportunity Planning Grants (Jan 27)
Working on application for the first phase. Will be presented to the Select Board for their approval on Jan 23; if approved, they will authorize Neal Cass, Town Administrator to sign on their behalf.
4. National Culvert Removal, Replacement & Restoration Grants (Feb 6)
Determined EDC would not be submitting this grant, but Neal Cass, Town Administrator is looking into applying.
5. AARP Community Challenge Grant (March 15)
Details released today! Could be used for additional work to Riverway Park or another project (amounts vary - Wilton received \$20,000+ for a riverwalk).

2. Business Outreach

Ms. Wells has enlisted Mr. Pooler to digitize the Business Survey. Once that is done, letters will be sent and meetings set up.

3. Other Board/Committee Updates (as necessary)

Planning Board update - original amendments going forward as proposed, not those suggested by the EDC.

V. OTHER

Next EDC Meeting Date(s): February 1 @ 5:30pm, Town Hall
February 15 @ 5:30pm, Town Hall
1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ 5:30pm

Planning Board Meeting: February 14 @ 5:30pm re: Housing Committee charge

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Andrea Folsom moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ian Hart. There was no discussion. **Motion passed 8-0.**

There being no other business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Wells
Economic Development Director