# TOWN OF WAYLAND - TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE MEETING MINUTES OF TOWN BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

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#### **Economic Development Committee**

Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2021

Becky Stanizzi called meeting to order 8:34am

Becky Stanizzi and Nick Zafiropoulos present in person at Town Hall; Jesse Lopez and Dan Crossman

joined via Zoom. Absent: Emily Kaplan and Brad Young

# 1) Public Comment:

Dan Hill from Planning Board joined meeting for public comment

- Proposed: Task 1 Get warrant article for spring meeting for Route 20 master planning
- Planning board to co-sponsor with EDC
- Next two weeks define SOW and costs
- Becky, Sarkis and Dan Hill to work together
- Take latest Route 20 survey by BOS into consideration
- Becky to share results of survey to EDC
- When is second part of survey going out? Becky to check with Tom Fay
- Dan Hill to be POC with EDC (Becky)

Dan Hill left meeting at 8.46am

# 2) Approve Meeting Minutes from October 07, 2021

Nick motioned to approve meeting minutes, Dan seconded, approved unanimously by roll call Acknowledge seat is opening on EDC as Seth Roman has stepped down

#### 3) Town Connections

a) Communications / information for residents

No update at this time - Emily out this meeting

b) Working with other committees – shared goals (recreation, affordable housing etc)

#### Bike Path:

No new update

# Affordable housing:

No update

## Playing Fields:

No new discussions on this topic during meeting

Becky was speaker at recent Bisnow event on affordable housing. Outreach to other communities on how Wayland worked to get to 10% affordability? Others interested. Jesse to work with Becky on putting together a whitepaper

#### 4) River's Edge

a) Construction update including MassWorks grant Rt 20 wastewater piping

No update during this meeting.

## 5) Wayland Businesses

- a) Restaurants (permanent) outdoor seating Streamline review & process, town meeting article
   Louise to kick off efforts with grant funding received to draft new guidelines for outdoor
   seating. No new movement to date needed soon if anything required to go to town
   meeting
- b) MA Shared Streets & Spaces grants updates Town Center

Grant money needs to be spent by end December, still no resolution with Town Center owners

Other options have been considered but will be difficult to transfer to another location

c) Food trucks & beer garden(s) permitting

Have Emily reach out to new restaurant on Route 20 to help with promoting opening?

## 6) Cochituate

a) 70-74 Main Street historic façade renovation – Update

Some movement as with potential architect, owner still working through septic issues which he would like to conclude first

b) Main Street/West Plain intersection improvement – Gas station update

Jesse went by accounting office. Business was bought by partners and now owners of the building. Original owner retired.

Reached out by email. Still waiting on reply.

Sarkis put in an email to DJ; no response yet.

#### 7) Route 20

a) Wayland Village (prior Whole Foods) plaza outreach

No update this month – group has gone quiet (potentially planning improvements?)

- b) Route 20 Wayland Center
  - i) MA DOT paving plan design including sidewalks
     Design funds approved; can start moving

Becky to check with Louise to get going ASAP.

ii) Overall Route 20 plan including zoning – BOS survey BOS resident Survey (highlights)Master planning – need to get going

iii) Commercial property owner list outreach

Completed – Jesse to circulate

Becky to check with Doug Levine on wastewater users and any communications on River's Edge updates to system; connect to master planning activity

c) Town Center – Community/Senior Center

Future of community center still on hold pending land resolution. Look for ways to use land to add value to help pay for community center?

New health services group going in where Art Center currently resides, Art Center moving elsewhere at Town Center

Brainstorm ways for new businesses to get more visibility

d) Route 20 South Landfill Visioning Committee update

Still doing due diligence on environmental Becky to ask Tom Fay for update next meeting

e) Branding/Wayfinding committee update

Sarkis revised survey and will distribute

f) Bike Path advocacy

Dan and Becky talked with Larry Kiernan Considered committee to (Friends of Bike Path?) to be care takers of path Larry looking to focus on larger bike path, interest to pass the torch locally for stewardship

g) Lee Farm proposed farm stand

Group that owns Assisted Memory Care facility sponsoring with High School to improve farm stand and add barn

HGTV filming conversion of farm house (Winter/Spring 2022)

Next meeting Friday, December 17 at 8:30am

Dan motioned to adjourn, Jesse seconded; unanimously approved by roll call vote Adjourned 9:29am

Respectfully submitted by Nick Zafiropoulos