

Town of Foxborough
Economic Development Committee

Meeting Minutes
3/9/16 7:00PM

Members present: Lorraine Brue, David Feldman, Dan Krantz, Kurt Yeghian, Mike Stanton, Mike Saegh, Tom Murphy

Staff Present: Paige Duncan

Members absent: Tim Kenneally, Mark Grebbin, Jr., Stephen Coote

Liquor License Warrant Articles-Discussion re: presentation to Advisory Committee and Board of Selectmen. Lorraine and David to present data including Police chief comments, Fox Cares group, market information from Mansfield. Paige will provide information on Wrentham and Walpole. To schedule for the next BOS meeting followed by Ad Com meeting.

Intern-Paige discussed the idea of hiring an intern to assist with EDC projects including downtown survey development and administration, web site work, grant applications. All suggested requesting BOS approval of the position. Paige will develop the budget and present information for action by BOS at the next meeting.

Downtown Business Owners Survey-there is a separate Real Estate owners survey. Reviewed with suggestion to hold survey until intern can come on board.

Downtown development-discussion re: potential that fire station owners ideally will work with a developer to align development with the master plan. Discussed purchase of Legion and plans for mixed use development.

Discussion of ways to attract more activity to Downtown. Ideas: Taste of Foxboro on the Common, business owners meeting, plan other events with assistance of intern.

Rail right of way was discussed. There is a corridor between downtown and the stadium-right of way next to existing tracks. Potential to connect with stadium and Walpole. Dan Krantz to review with Paige.

Route 1 Subcommittee discussion-The group had a brainstorming session with planning board member, attorneys and developers from Foxboro. Discussed zoning change ideas, how best to accomplish changes, today's market. Planning for a discussion with the Route 1 business association.

Water department-they are beginning a re-study of the well protection area. New scientific results to determine the zone 3 areas. Information with any suggested changes will be brought to Town Meeting for approval. Targeting fall town meeting.

Dan Krantz discussed Route 1 development. Potential to develop a Business Improvement District. Discussed need to assess sewer options: Treatment plant v MWRA connection. Dan to follow up with Chris and Ryan. Interbasin transfer approval is required. Discussed approximate cost of \$3.7 M to tie in to MWRA, financed over 25 years.

Dave discussed web site for EDC/advertising in Locator magazine-to include statistical data of community, links to important information, tax rates, available parcels.

Minutes submitted by Lorraine Brue

Meeting adjourned: 8:15PM