

Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 19, 2018

| Pamela DiPietro-Hale Chair | ~ | Sandra Lipsey | ~ | Andrea Ferrante Council Liaison | - |
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| Chris Wasileski Vice Chair | ~ | William Lunt III | - | Nathan Poore <i>Staff</i> | ~ |
| Dimitri Balatsos | ~ | Mindy Schwartz | - | Theo Holtwijk <i>Staff</i> | ~ |
| Brian Bakke | ~ | | | | |

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

1. Review of Draft Minutes

The draft minutes of the September 5 meeting were approved as written.

2. FEIC Position Paper

The committee discussed edits to the draft position paper and how it might be received. The sense of the committee was that it was a statement of position, and that it should not be concerned with any push back by others. The committee discussed when to share this with the Council. It was decided that Pam would read the statement at one of the October Council meetings. Theo will make the edits and send a revised draft out. Pam and Theo will finalize it as needed.

3. Business Forum

Theo shared the news that John Wasileski had accepted to be the committee's guest speaker at its next forum. The committee was excited at that news. November 15 at 7:30 AM was selected by the committee for the forum date. Theo will work out the details with OceanView.

The committee discussed other forum ideas including one on energy efficiency and how business can save on energy costs. The committee felt that the next forum should be held in early afternoon. Brian felt that the Falmouth forums should not mirror what is being done in other communities. He was looking for forums full of energy and not be boring. The first two forums were recalled. It was explained that the audience for the forums, and any corresponding buy-in, was still being built.

4. Project Updates

The committee was very pleased with the news that Rosemont Market will occupy the formr Pratt Abbott space. Theo distributed a news article about that.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be on October 3 at 4:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Draft minutes prepared by Theo Holtwijk, September 26, 2018