Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Present:

Pamela DiPietro- Hale, Chair	✓	William Lunt, III	✓	Marguerite Fleming, Staff	-
Chris Wasileski, Vice Chair	✓	Mindy Schwartz	-	Theo Holtwijk, Staff	✓
Brian Bakke	-			Nathan Poore, Staff	-
Paul Bergkamp	-	Janice De Lima, Council Liaison	-		

Others Attending: -

Pam started the meeting at 4:30PM.

1. Establish Quorum

• No quorum was established.

2. Review Draft Minutes of October 2, 2019 Meeting

• Review of the draft minutes was tabled.

3. Review of Meeting Materials

- Theo reviewed the meeting materials, which consisted of contact information of the business leaders that FEIC members plan to contact and a list of businesses that have received the *Building Community* publication for use in their waiting rooms.
- There was a question about the Town's upcoming revaluation. Theo mentioned that the Town had received several bids that are currently being evaluated.

4. Public Comment

• No members of the public were present.

5. Update on Falmouth Business League Outreach

- Pam reported that she had spoken to two banks and that both asked if the league was intended to replace the local Chamber. She clarified that it was not replacing the Chamber. Both banks were interested to help with the effort.
- Pam stated that she has continued to try to be in touch with the local Chamber president but had not yet heard back.
- Bill requested copies of the outreach materials as he planned to meet with the people on his list in person.
- Theo mentioned that he is working with Mindy to pare down her business choices as there were so many and she did not have time to visit them all.

• The committee agreed to have at least half of the contacts made by November 6, so it could discuss those, and aimed to have the outreach completed by November 20.

6. Other Businesses

- Pam said that Brian's workload had increased and that he had trouble making the current meeting time. No decision was made on changing the committee's meeting time.
- Theo mentioned that the Town is taking the lead, with the property owners, to review the West Falmouth Crossing master Plan to see if there is an opportunity to include a park and ride facility, new bus stop, train platform, and/or infill development. A public outreach meeting will ne held on December 3. He will keep the FEIC members up to date on that.
- Theo mentioned that the Council include preliminary engineering for Route 1 North and that staff will soon begin work on that.
- Pam mentioned the business sponsorship opportunity for Very Merry Falmouth 2019.
- The committee wondered how the Council was coming on making appointments for the current committee vacancies.

7. Set Date and Agenda for Next Meeting

• The next meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2019.

8. Adjourn

• The meeting adjourned at 5:35PM.

Draft meeting minutes prepared by Theo Holtwijk, October 24, 2019.