

REVISED CHARGE AS RECOMMENDED BY FEIC ON FEBRUARY 21, 2018

DIV. II-2-3-12. ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Sec. 2-148. Establishment and purpose.

There is hereby established a Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee (FEIC) consisting of up to seven (7) members serving without pay to be appointed by the town council pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. § 3261. The term of office is three (3) years.

Definition(s): **Economic improvement**

CURRENT = the retention and expansion of jobs in Falmouth in a manner consistent with these ordinances and current town ordinances.

PROPOSED = promote an environment that attracts, retains and enhances business opportunities in ways consistent with the Town's policies.

Purpose/goals/charge:

The Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee (FEIC) shall:

- Undertake and support economic development activities aimed at creating a sustainable economy and broadened tax base in collaboration with public/private entities, Town staff, Town Council and regional economic development efforts.
- Provide advisory assistance to Town staff and Town Council on economic development matters, including, but not limited to, policy and ordinance development, strategic planning, business attraction, and land use.
- Develop economic development guidelines and recommendations, including, but not limited to, workforce development, business development, and infrastructure.
- Assist the Town Council with implementation of Falmouth's 2015 Economic Development Strategy and review this plan every three (3) years.
- Assist the Town Council with any other projects as the Council may choose to assign it.

Sec. 2-149. Membership: Appointment, term, quorum, committee action, makeup.

- All appointments shall be three-year, staggered terms.
- The Committee shall annually elect a Chair and Vice Chair.
- A quorum consists of the majority of the number of members appointed by the council to serve at that time. (Example, if the committee has five members, a quorum requires three members to be present. If the committee includes six or seven members, a quorum of four members is required.) The minimum quorum to conduct business shall consist of three members.
- A minimum of three affirmative votes is required for any committee action.
- The make up of the committee shall strive to include at a minimum one (1) representative from each of the following groups:
 - Rt. 1 Business Rep from zone VC-1, VC-2 or BP
 - Rt. 100 Business Rep from zone VMU, WFCMPD or MUC
 - Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber
 - Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee (LPAC)
- A minimum of four (4) members shall have a business background.
- The town council, at its annual organizational meeting, shall appoint a council liaison to this committee.

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