

**Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee  
Meeting Notes  
Wednesday, February 5, 2020**

Present:

Chris Wasileski, <i>Chair</i>	✓	Ozan Tüzmen	-	Marguerite Fleming, <i>Staff</i>	✓
William Lunt, III, <i>Vice Chair</i>	-	Nicholas Weightman	-	Theo Holtwijk, <i>Staff</i>	✓
Paul Bergkamp	✓	Janice De Lima, <i>Council Liaison</i>	✓	Nathan Poore, <i>Staff</i>	-
Kevin Moss	-				

Others Attending: Tural Nadirli

Chris started the meeting at 4:44 pm.

**1. Establish Quorum.**

- Quorum was not established.

**2. Review and Approve the Draft Minutes of the January 22, 2020 meeting.**

- This item was tabled due to lack of quorum.

**3. Overview by Staff of Meeting Materials Provided for This Meeting.**

- The materials included the meeting agenda, January 22 minutes, Falmouth Business League Concept document, and the draft annual committee report.

**4. Opportunity for Members of the Public to Address the Committee on Any Item Not on the Agenda.**

- Tural is a Falmouth resident and a financial advisor at Edward Jones. He is interested in joining the Committee.

**5. Discussion by committee members regarding the Falmouth Business League concept and outreach.**

- Councilor De Lima thought that speaking with the Chamber about the League was a good idea. She suggested that Councilor Johnson participate in Chris and Nathan’s meeting with the Chamber. She said that the Council is supportive of the Committee exploring the League.
- Paul met with Tracy Hayes, Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber of Commerce board member. Councilor Johnson planned to attend but could not make it. Paul presented a revised draft of the League Concept document that he updated based on the meeting. He said that sharing best practices and the “living library” were the most important initiatives. He felt that the focus of the League should be a set of initiatives. The actions could be led by those with the most energy behind them. He said that the orchestration would be key.

- Councilor De Lima asked if FEIC would take on a facilitator role? Paul and Chris said that made sense. Chris suggested that League members could be brought into FEIC meetings to provide feedback on different topics.
- There was consensus that Chris and Nathan’s attendance at the March 12 Chamber board meeting is a good next step.
- There was discussion regarding how to initiate the League.

**6. Update on the Town’s plans to celebrate Earth Day’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020 and possible involvement by the FEIC.**

- This item was tabled until the next meeting.

**7. Other Business.**

- Theo provided an update on the West Falmouth Crossing Public Forum on January 21.
- Theo said that the Council passed a resolution to begin preliminary engineering for Route 1 North at the February 3 meeting.
- Those present discussed the Committee’s challenges with establishing quorum.
- Councilor De Lima said that the Appointment Committee is establishing a short list of guidelines for running committee meetings.
- Those present discussed the process of selecting a consultant to assist with the vision and values process.
- Theo presented the draft annual committee report. Chris and Paul expressed approval.

**8. Set Date and Agenda for Next Meeting.**

- The next meeting will be held on February 19. The Committee will discuss talking topics for the March Chamber Board meeting.

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**9. Adjourn**

- The meeting adjourned at 5:38 pm.

Draft meeting notes prepared by Marguerite Fleming on February 11, 2020.