**Economic Development Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**DRAFT- June 18, 2019**

**Members or alternates present:**  BOS liaison Linda Murray, BOS liaison alternate Dave Bowers, Chairman Alan Harding, alternate Alana Albee, Kathy Eaton, Steve Durgan and Bill Petersen,

**Members or alternates absent**: Peter Cooke, Kathy Tetreault, Craig Gemmell, Denise Roy Palmer, and Mary DeVries,

**Staff present:** Director of Planning and Development Matt Sullivan and Recording Secretary Amelia Capone-Muccio

**Guests:** N/A

1. **Call to order:** Matt Sullivan called the meeting to order at 8:14 AM. Noted a quorum was present with alternates sitting.
2. **Consideration of Minutes: 5/21/19**

***It was moved by Bill Petersen and seconded by Alan Harding to table the minutes of May 21, 2019 meeting. Members voted, and all in favor, the motion passed.***

1. **New Business**
2. **Discussion of Developable Land (Vacant, Utility Access, Zoning)**

Mr. Sullivan referred to maps provided to discuss the areas identified for development, but have yet to be developed. He discussed those areas and how to create a guide to identify areas for potential development. He noted the current zoning map shows limited commercial zoning.

Mr. Durgan stated before they discuss the zoning, they should discuss the current impediments that discourage development. He feels the EDC should be looking at ways to make development easier. He provided an example of how Goodhue and Hawkins expanded.

Mr. Bowers added that most complaints he hears is about aesthetics rather than development.

Ms. Eaton stated this goes back to the 50 room limit on hotel/motels and she’d like to see that lifted and the only way to do that is to get the Planning Board’s support.

Mr. Petersen added that having a large hotel with conference center is what is needed and would support the facilities.

Mrs. Murray feels the 50 room limit would be the easiest to tackle first.

Ms. Eaton would like to add a topic of a conference center to the next Agenda.

Ms. Albee requested to share the backup information of the Planning Board.

1. **Review of NH Employment Security Fact Sheet and Suggested Amendments**

The Committee reviewed and discussed the fact sheet and made the following amendments:

* New Town Manager
* The number of Wolfeboro Inn & Town of Wolfeboro Employees
* School & Town 2019 Budget
* Most recent Zoning Ordinance Date
* ZBA is now an elected Board
* Telephone provider is Consolidated Communications
* High Speed Internet: Business=yes and Residential=limited
* Add Trolley Tours and Nick as a Recreational Facility

1. **Upcoming Dates**

* June 19th Public Hearing on 4th of July Parking
* June 19th Docks
* June 24th Bay Street Sidewalk Update
* July 17th Rumble/Mumble Strips and Crosswalk Public Hearing

1. **Other Business**

The Committee discussed vacant seats on the EDC and noted Dave Maher will be appointed as an alternate on June 19th. There are five total alternate positons available.

It was moved by D Bowers and seconded by S Durgan to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:38AM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Amelia Capone Muccio