Economic Development Committee March 25, 2024 Butterick Building, 1 Park Street, Room 205 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chairman James Patacchiola.

Present: James Patacchiola, Rosanne Mapp, Maureen Cranson, Brian Kindorf Also Present: William Caldwell (Town Administrator), Stephen Wallace (Town Planner)

There was no quorum so no votes were taken. There was a brief meeting to bring those present up to date.

Stephen Wallace reported on the <u>Public Forums held in early March</u>. About 65 people attended. As anticipated, people were concerned about their taxes, and Stephen addressed this in his presentation. He feels that he got good input for going forward (results are posted on line) and the Planning Board will now get to work. Stephen would like a couple of forums in the Fall to keep Townspeople updated.

Bill Caldwell announced that he and Stephen Wallace will be applying for a One Stop Grant, and the "Welcome" sign has been ordered.

Jim Patacchiola said that improving the appearance of downtown will be included on the April meeting agenda. Sterling Clean-Up day is scheduled for May 4th.

Rosanne Mapp resigned from the Committee. She was thanked for all her work and she will be missed! Dick Maki resigned last month. New members will be sought.

Reminder: Open Meeting Law allows members to talk to each other outside of meetings, but final discussion and decisions can only be made at the official meetings.

EDC info for the <u>Annual Town Report</u> is due to Maureen Cranson as soon as possible!

Next meeting will be held on April 22. The May meeting will be held on the first Monday in June because of the Memorial Day holiday.

Maureen Cranson made a motion to adjourn, Jim Patacchiola seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Submitted by Melissa Chalmers, recorder