

Town of Barnstable

Planning & Development Department Barnstable Economic Development Task Force Meeting Minutes February 7, 2020

Members Present: Alison Maloney (Chair), Matthew Eddy, Mark Sexton, Chuck Carey, Roy Catignani, Dan Ojala, Bob Cody

Members Absent: Beth Marcus, Jason Siscoe, Paul Niedzwiecki

Staff: Elizabeth Jenkins – Director Planning & Development, Gloria McPherson – Planning & Economic Development Coordinator, Jennifer Engelsen – Office Manager, Planning and Development Department, Arden Cadrin – Housing Coordinator

Others: Phil Boudreau, John Carey, Jake Dewey (via phone)

Alison called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Roy and seconded by Mark.

Housing Subcommittee updates:

- Ways for developers to provide housing and obtain more units
- Possibility of creating residential units underground (Building Commissioner was asked if this is possible and his response was as long as codes are met)
- Create density balance cost of construction, offer incentives
- Education illustrating to councilors that cost of rents are not aligning
- Parking being an issue
- Need more jobs
- Historic Boards barrier to projects
- Smaller projects duplexes, multi-family
- Utilize town owned land

The group discussed inviting sewer and water come to a meeting to discuss fees. Mark shared that if water costs are impeding development, a conversation needs to be had with Hans.

Permit Coordinator - how is she being received at 200 Main? Elizabeth shared that she will be moving out front for more visibility. She needs training because it is a new position.

Water Access Subcommittee updates:

Roy reported that the group is done until they get in front of Town Council. Elizabeth advised Roy to be sure the group has coordinated with the Water Ways Committee. The goal is to have council support the suggestions and hopefully get in front of them as soon as possible. The five recommendations they will bring forward are:

- Re-layout of saltwater mooring fields
- Create a transient mooring service in Hyannis Harbor and Lewis Bay
- Enhance public access to boat launch ramps
- Create a transient slip rental plan in Hyannis Harbor
- Suggest that the Harbormaster revise the current mooring regulations

The appointing of new members Jake Dewey and Phil Boudreau had not been confirmed by the Town Council office at the time of this meeting. Alison and Jen both received different information from Cynthia Lovell. The Planning & Development staff will be in contact to close the loop on this matter.

The group would like to invite Town Council President Hebert, Councilor Cullum and Town Manager Mark Ells to a meeting to update the progress of this task force sometime in the next three months.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 13th at 12:00 PM.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Matt and seconded by Roy, all in favor. The meeting closed at 1:31 PM Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Engelsen – Planning and Development Department