

**Holliston Economic Development Committee  
Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2018**

**Present:** Chairman Peter Barbieri, Lisa Zais. David Thorn and Matthew Coletti. Susan Russo was absent. Also present was Town Administrator Jeff Ritter.

**Call to Order:** The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Upstairs Meeting Room of Town Hall.

**General Business:**

1. **Downtown Updates:** General discussion with downtown business and property owners followed, including issues of parking, vacancies, etc. Chris Leoncini of 779 Wahsington Street (Holliston Superette), John Claffey of 800 Washington Street (Holliston Grill), Jay Marsden of 847 Washington Street (Marsden Law), and Janine Gerade of 841 Washington Street (Janine's Jewelry Design) were present.
2. **Economic Development Funding Program Review:** The Chairman distributed a proposed article for the Special Town Meeting to allow the Selectmen to petition the legislature for a grant and loan fund to "develop economic development tools and activities". He asked for comments and noted the Special Town Meeting is scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Coletti made a motion to recommend the article to the Board of Selectmen for incusion in the Warrant. Mrs. Zais seconded with all in favor.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on a motion made and duly seconded with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Sherman  
Town Planner