

Minutes March 10, 2021

Call to Order: The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Legislation. A roll call vote of Members present was taken. **Present:** Chairman Peter Barbieri, Glen Brown, Matt Coletti and Christine Carosella. David Thorn was absent.

The Chair noted that Lisa Zias has submitted her resignation from the Committee to the Select Board. The committee thanked Lisa for her efforts on the Committee.

1. **Budget/Staffing:** The Chair advised the budget has been forwarded to the Finance Committee. The Committee reviewed a draft of the classified ad for the hiring of a consultant for the director's position. It was agreed to include a weekly workload and a salary range. With those changes the Committee voted unanimously on a motion by Matt Colletti seconded by Glenn Brown to move forward with the advertising of the contract.
2. **Farmers Market:** Matt Colletti and booby Blair gave an update on the proposed Farmers Market. The Select Board is requiring insurance. The Chair advised that he would seek funding for the insurance from Celebrate Holliston.
3. **Industrial Park Discussion** No new information was provided on Industrial Tenants. A number of residents had questions about the Committee's letter to the Planning Board. Christine Carosella advised that she observed the Planning Board meeting and reported that questions were raised about the letter. The resident's questions were tabled until later in the evening as 555 Hopping Brook Road was not on the agenda, but residents could ask questions under New Business.
4. **Downtown Discussion.** Nothing was reported on Downtown.
5. **Website.** Glenn Brown reviewed with the committee the proposed Business Directory Page for the website. The Chair advised that the page should note the right of the Committee to reject an application for placement and to remove a placement and that he would provide language to Travis Ahern for review by town counsel.
6. **Minutes.** The minutes of February were reviewed. On a motion by Matt Coletti seconded by Christina Carosella the minutes of February 10, 2021 were approved by unanimous vote.
7. **Zoning/Planning Applications.** No new commercial zoning/planning applications were received.
8. **New Business.** Residents raised questions as to the Committee's letter to the Planning Board as new information has been received by the Planning Board. Residents also again raised the impact of the project upon roads and housing values. No definitive information was provided on those impacts and the Committee advised that it would consider any information presented but as it now stands the Committee stand behind its letter. Given the comments at the Planning Board Meeting was agreed that Christine Carosella would contact the Planning

Board as to any questions on the letter. The Committee agreed to review the letter should the Planning Board have any questions or new information be made available.

The Chair advised that he had received this afternoon a request from a student at the high School to interview a member of the Committee about the Committee's Letter to the Planning Board relating to 55 Hopping Brook Road. The Committee discussed how to handle requests for comments outside of a meeting and asked if there was town policy on the matter. The Chair is to inquire of Travis Ahern as to any policy. Upon a motion by Christine Carosella seconded by Matt Colletti the Committee decided to adopt a policy that requests be put in writing and discussed at a meeting of the Committee.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8;10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Barbieri
Chairman

Approved June 9, 2021