

Town of Newton Economic Development Commission
March 13, 2018
Minutes

Chairman Kevin Pendergast called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Attendees: Mr. Hayek, Dr. Clark, Mr. Stapel.

Absent: Mr. Krasnomowitz and Ms. Butterfield.

Mike Malone and Alex Majewski attended as guests.

Ms. Williams served as Secretary.

Mr. Pendergast stated that the Open Public Meeting Act had been complied with.

Mr. Pendergast read a letter of resignation from Mr. Mark Maruska.

Minutes for approval

Motion to approve minutes from January 9, 2018 and September 12, 2017 was made by Mr. Stapel and seconded by Dr. Clark. All in favor. Minutes approved as presented.

Old Business

Ms. Williams

- 1) Krogh's - project still ongoing; Town Manager's office had received an email from Bob Fuchs stating such.
- 2) Newton Town Centre (RPM) - VIP tour scheduled for end of March/opening scheduled for end of April.
- 3) Style Shop Renovations - nearing the end.
- 4) G&H - redevelopment designation approved by the Planning Board and Council; Plan is next.
- 5) SCCC - Culinary school, no updates.

New Business

Ms. Williams

- 1) St Patrick's Day Parade - will be held on March 17th on Spring St. 20 stores are participating in the festivities. Posters and flyers were printed and distributed by the Town.
- 2) Ordinances - ordinance under discussion for Tattoo parlors in certain zones.

- 3) Parking analysis - Town Engineer looking for additional space. Will present findings in the future.
- 4) Checklist for events - checklist established for all who hold events in the Town of Newton.
- 5) New logo - on going.
- 6) Master Plan revisions - 10 Year anniversary; Town planner working on revisions.
- 7) Retro Fitness - Open permits for 75 Sparta Ave. Looking to open in May 2018.
- 8) Rescheduling EDC meeting - email will go out about rescheduling the meeting because of election conflict. Possible dates of May 15th or May 22nd.
- 9) Town newsletter - deadline is March 30th for May 1st mailing. Funded by the Town and is distributed to over 4,000 addresses.

Community Development Director Update

Cinco De Mayo - May 5th. Merchants will be asked to participate with a promotion in their store, during regular store hours. Posters and flyers will be distributed and funded by the Town.

A Royal Celebration - May 19th. Merchants will be asked to participate in a wedding themed activity in their store, during regular store hours. Posters and flyers along with social media will be distributed and funded by the Town.

Plans for a Farmers Market are in the works.

Discussion

None.

Motion to adjourn at 7:15pm was made by Chairman Prendergast and seconded by Mr. Hayek. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next meeting to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Williams

