Economic Development Commission – Meeting Notes 6/13/2018

Attendees: Anne (chair), Sue, Paul, Geena, Colin, Nolan;
Guest: Brad Washburn (Planning Director), Ted Brovitz (EDC consultant) Robert Dwyer (resident), and Fran McMillen (guest; member of Harbor Merchants Board and Waterways Commission)

EDC Funding Priorities \rightarrow \$30,681.25 left for FY 18 (ends June 30)

- FY 2018 Appropriations
 - o \$3,000 match for Housing Grant
 - o \$2,000 contribution to Pocket Guide
 - \$5,000 Ted Brovitz Consulting on Massworks Grant (potential for \$1 million to \$2 million grant for Greenbush area project)
 - o \$9,500 Wayfinding signs, kiosks, and pocket park
 - Need to talk with Chick Fagan about fabrication
 - \$9,950 Sea Scituate Banners around town (Harbor and N. Scituate); flower pots and general landscaping of harbor and Harborwalk areas
- FY 2019 Ideas for Appropriations
 - o \$10,000 Heritage Days festival (August 2018)
 - o Contributions to Scituate Town Library following 5 year fiscal plan

Harbor Signage and Kiosks

- Replace old taxi stand in the harbor with kiosk and pocket park
- Discussion about Wayfinding Signs by the Harbor Master building and the Inn at Scituate Harbor
- Brad to look into sign manufacturers for wayfinding program
 - Kiosks made from wood materials
- Discussion about who will update the kiosks
 - Town officials at the EDC's direction
 - Appeal to Chamber of Commerce and Harbor Merchants
 - Adopt a kiosk; promoting local businesses
- Harborwalk Signage
 - o Part of Town's Municipal Harbor Plan
 - Harbor Merchants want to continue Harborwalk
 - Extends from Marias, through Cole Parkway, through Mill Wharf and behind TKs.
 - Originally intended to extend beyond towards Town Pier, right at the traffic lights and past Old Pier 44, down to the light house
 - Ted will report on Harborwalk conditions at July 11 meeting, going over the presentation he prepared and emailed to EDC members last month to identify priorities
 - o Brad worked on Boston Harborwalk Project for 10 + years useful insight
- Boat Show in Rhode Island
 - o Ensure Scituate is listed as a destination
 - Fran has been listed as destination for boaters since 1995
- Harbor Businesses Summer Hours

- o Influx of new visitors, transient residents, and tourists during summer months
- Harbor businesses may want to extend hours beyond 5 PM to accommodate these potential guests; accommodate boaters
- O Suggest even one night per week or weekends that hours are extended to 7/9 PM

Greenbush Public Meeting

- June 25 @ 6:30, Untold Brewery
- Guest List: All stakeholders that attended January Meeting; Post on Town Facebook page to invite residents and members of the public
 - Want to bring residents and surrounding community into the fold
 - o Discuss recommendations in draft zoning bylaw to residents
- Content:
 - Ted will present briefly on the vision plan (do not want to repeat information from first meeting; provides a refresher)
 - o Present draft zoning by-law
 - Put concepts out there for public comment
 - Intend to present completed version at April 2019 Town Meeting
 - o Invite feedback from guests with moderated Q&A
 - Promise another similar meeting in a few months to keep everyone updated on progress of development projects, zoning and master plan update
- Goal: Address misconception that Greenbush development is a zero sum game, to the detriment of other areas of town such as North Scituate.

Adrienne Rowles (Dog Park)

- Dog park slated for Driftway \$100,000 over budget
- Did not attend meeting to discuss further

Chamber of Commerce 3A Sign

- Ted has found a deal for 2 banners with our designated logo for 3A sign
- Discuss potential that infrastructure of sign is in need of repair
- Banners as temporary fix until structural study of sign is completed

New Business

- Regional Wastewater Plan meeting at Public Safety Building on Tuesday, June 19th at 2 PM
- Hingham Institute for Savings in N. Scituate is closing