

Town of Scituate, Massachusetts Economic Development Commission Meeting Wednesday June 8, 2016 The WPA Building, 7 Henry Turner Bailey Rd.

Meeting Minutes

The meeting commenced at 7:10 PM

Members attending:

Ann Burbine, Colin McNiece, Paul Kukstis, Nolan Kelly, Brendan Murphy, Monte Newman

Visitors:

Laura Harbottle [Town Planner], Ted Brovitz [BCPC], Peter Flinker [Dodson/Flinker], Kristi Funderburk [The Mariner].

Greenbush Visioning Plan

In follow-up to discussion with the Town Administrator on May 11, the members participated in the development of a <u>Vision Plan</u> and economic development strategy for the Greenbush-Driftway area led by Ted Brovitz (BCPD) and Peter Flinker (Dodson/Flinker). A walking tour of the area was cancelled due inclement weather. A preliminary concept plan of what was discussed will be prepared in the next few weeks.

A wide range of subject matter was discussed including but not limited to the following:

- A more efficient use of the land where the Transfer Station & Solar Array is now located.
- Possibly building a Sports Complex [indoor outdoor] near or in the area now part of the Transfer Station
- A small or boutique Hotel along The Driftway near the golf course and Transfer Station
- Opening a Day Care Center near the existing MBTA parking area.
- Expansion of the Widow's Walk Clubhouse to provide a venue for year round meetings and events.

- Coordination between future uses at Widow's Walk and amenities at the North River Conservation Park including gathering areas, boat access and walking trails along the water.
- Create a mixed use village center by focusing on infill ad redevelopment of key parcels centered on the area around the intersection of New Driftway/Driftway including the MBTA property.
- Focus residential development along the waterfront where opportunities exist.
- Encourage mixed use and small business development in the Greenbush area and first segment of Stockbridge Rd. while maintaining the historic character.
- Make streetscape enhancements along The Driftway, gateway treatments at the roundabout, way-finding improvements, extend and connect pathways and activate public spaces to encourage greater use by residents and visitors

Other Business:

Way-Finding signage – a meeting with the Traffic Rules department is schedule for June 14 to review proposed signage locations.

Discussed locations for a new recreation "dog park" noted at an earlier meeting. Assuming adequate space, it was agreed that North Scituate would be a good location due proximity to businesses in the area and the proposed Town Recreation Park.

Approved the Minutes for the April 13 meeting.

The next meeting of the EDC will be June 22 at the WPA building to review FY-17 Budget priorities.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Submitted: Monte Newman, Secretary