



Economic Development Committee Meeting Highlights

August 2017 to December 2018

August 8, 2017	<p>Organizational Meeting – Introduction of Committee members -Election of Chairs - Review of the Code of Ethics.</p> <p>Rick Taintor proposal distributed for review regarding zoning changes. The consensus of the committee was to begin with a Visioning Workshop to identify what the committee would be doing over the next year</p>
September 11, 2017	<p>Member expectations reviewed - Prior SWAT analysis reviewed - Discussion about recent planning survey and results and the need to conduct a survey that was solely focused on economic development - Subcommittees formed: <u>Nuts and Bolts</u> to review business application process; <u>Route 1 Status</u> as to open lots and empty store fronts; <u>Branding and who North Hampton is to be perceived by residents and non-residents.</u></p>
October 18, 2017	<p>Presentation by UNH Survey Center for town wide opinions about economic development - Bob Schoenberger presented Unital's study regarding future development of the Route 1 corridor from MA to ME - Review of assessment records reveals that full development of empty lots along Lafayette Road would have little impact of resident's tax rates.</p>
November 1, 2017	<p>Select Board approves funding the UNH Town Wide Survey - Further review by the committee of what questions to be asked, results to be expected and timing of the mailing</p>
December 6, 2017	<p>Subcommittee formed to review and edit town survey draft provided by the UNH Survey Center. Mailing date decided</p>
January 24, 2018	<p>Special meeting to finalize the questions on the survey</p>
February 14, 2018	<p>Finalized survey timeline. Mailing to be done on March 12, 2018 - Sewer review by Les Stachow - Vision subcommittee presented a draft. Committee tabled it for further discussion based on the UNH survey - The committee is to review the</p>

	job description of the Code Enforcement Officer. The goal is to enhance the experience of petitioners when deal with town offices.
March 7, 2018	Discussion of sewer study - Discussion of tax incentives to encourage development - Reviewed suggested changes to job description of Code Enforcement Officer - Discussed an invitation by UNH Business Engagement and Retention Center (BR&E) to survey the business community regarding their needs.
April 4, 2018	Code of Ethics reviewed - Glenn Martin welcomed to the committee as a replacement for Bob Schoenberger - UNH presented further details of the BR&E program - Bryan Kaenrath, Town Administrator, presented to details of how permitting takes place and provided some information about Tax Incentive Financing (TIF)
May 2, 2018	Reviewed key findings of the town wide survey
June 6, 2018	Discussion to provide survey results at a public hearing to the Select and Planning Boards - Further discussion for the UNH BR&E program and finding volunteers from the North Hampton Business Association to conduct the interviews - Further discussion concerning sewer issues
July 11, 2018	Presentation by the Rockingham Planning Commission on the current and future of the Route One corridor through North Hampton – Further discussion regarding recruits for the BR&E – Plan NH to be invited to present to the committee regarding their programs – Vision statement discussion resulted in agreement that the RPC ought to be invited to facilitate the process.
August 1, 2018	Plan NH presentation about conducting a Charrette – Committee determined that the Vision Statement should be the priority
September 5, 2018	Marcy McCann presented the status of the ‘Open the Ballroom’ campaign at Centennial Hall – Discussion about the authority of the Chair to submit articles to the Community Newsletter – Rails to Trails economic value to the town discussed
September 22, 2018	Eight members of the committee met for five hours to create the Vision Statement – Julie LaBranche of the RPC facilitated the exercise
October3, 2018	Further discussion of the Vision Statement
November 1, 2018	Bill Maddocks of UNH BR&E presented the results of the 27 interviews
December 5, 2018	Jeff Latimer of Gus’s Bike Shop presented the status of the Rails to Trails initiative . Results of the negotiations between Pan Am and the state could be imminent – Formulated the outline of the report to the Select Board

