

Town of North Hampton NH

Economic Development Committee Minutes

Minutes from June 6, 2018 [Video of Meeting](#)

In Attendance:

Glenn Martin

Phil Wilson

Nancy Monaghan

Rick Stanton

Kirsten Larsen Schultz

Kathy Kilgore

Joseph Bernardo

Anthony Pastelis

Staff Present: Bryan Kaenrath, Town Administrator

Minutes:

Item 1. Kirsten Larsen Schultz, presiding officer, called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM

Item 2. Discussion on executive summary of UNH Town Wide Economic Development Survey. Key findings include: (Summary Draft [UNH Draft Report](#) long and short

Nancy proposed a language change to the third bullet of the executive summary as follows:

Current verbiage:

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*Two-thirds of residents favor the Town installing a sewer system in the IBR District / Route 1 Area, but most would be in favor only if property taxes do not increase.*

Proposed Change:

*15% favor, 33% oppose, 51% favor only if property taxes do not increase.*

Discussion Summary: Kathy commented that if add exact stats for this question, should add them for all questions. Several members expressed concerns that summary as written could

be considered leading. Majority of committee agreed. Kathy further suggested that the statements should be divided into two separate questions.

Motion to approve the proposed Executive Summary with the addition of Nancy's proposed changed. Seconded. Voice vote: 5 in favor, 3 opposed motion passed.

**Item 3: Schedule a public hearing at which UNH to present final survey findings to the public.**

**Discussion:** Rick suggested that the hearing be scheduled to coincide with a scheduled Selectboard meeting. Kathy expressed concern that the meeting perhaps we should postpone public hearing until September for greater participation. Several members of the committee expressed concern with postponing that long and better to hold the hearing closer to the finalization of the survey. Kathy proposed holding the public hearing in conjunction with the July 23rd Selectboard meeting.

Rick moved that the public hearing be scheduled to coincide with the July 23rd Selectboard meeting (at 7pm), Anthony second. The committee voted unanimously.

Kathy expressed that the UNH Executive Summary should be finalized with the committee approved change to bullet number 3 and added to these minutes and as part of the public record.

Bryan said that this item could be moved up early in the agenda on the 23rd.

**Item 4: Volunteers for the UNH Business Retention Committee**

**Discussion:** Kathy, Joe, Phil and Kirsten volunteer to participate. Rick volunteers contingent on adoption of idea that town official volunteers are paired with members from the North Hampton Business Association community for maximum effective surveying. Brian has posted the request for volunteers but no one has stepped forward yet. It was suggested that we do a call for volunteers at the July 23 public hearing on the Survey results. We will plan to have an update on volunteers at the July 11 EDC meeting.

**Item 5: Rockingham Planning Commission invitation for July 11th meeting to discuss plans for Route 1.**

The committee agreed to pushing the start time of the July 11th meeting up to 4pm to accommodate David Walker's presentation.

**Item 6: Sewer Report: Review by Mr. Stachow and Mr Wilson**

Rick moved to add both Mr. Stachow and Mr. Wilson's comments along with the accompanying power point to the May 2 minutes. Kathy second. The committee voted

**unanimously to add both Mr. Stachow and Mr. Wilson's comments along with the accompanying power point to the May 2 minutes.**

**Item 7: Approval of the minutes of the May 2, 2018 meeting.**

**Motion on the table to approve minutes, withdrawn. Kathy suggested that the minutes be amended with the following additions:**

- 1) Reference to presentation of Survey findings by Sean McKinley from UNH needs to be added.**
- 2) ALL drafts of UNH findings need to be included with the minutes (the link does not work) including both short and long findings.**

**Kathy moved the minutes be accepted with the changes as noted above. Anthony seconded and committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2018 meeting with the changes as noted above.**

**Next meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2018 beginning at 4:00 PM.**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:35**

**Kirsten Larsen Schultz, Vice Chair of the EDC**