## Economic Development Committee Meeting June 19, 2019, 1:00pm Town of Mount Desert Town Office Meeting Room

Attending: Nancy Ho; Donald Graves; Averel Wilson; Martha Dudman; Matt Hart; Jackie Hewett; Rick Wheeler; Dan

McKay; Sam McGee; Wendy Wood; Jamie Blaine **Excused**: Minot Weld; Durlin Lunt; Tony Smith

## **Topics Discussed**

- 1. Review and approve minutes of June 6, 2019, meeting. Motion, second, passed (MSP)
- 2. Interest and membership in the committee was discussed. Jamie Blaine's membership was approved by the Board of Selectmen (BOS) two meetings ago. Seth Singleton, Stephanie Reese, Heather Jones were approved at the last BOS meeting. Kathy Miller has agreed to serve but must check with the board of Mount Desert 365 to confirm. Martha approached Micki Sumpter about serving and she will think about it.
- 3. The Economic Development Committee's (EDC) Mission and Structure draft document was reviewed. Minor changes were made and the Mission and Structure document will be submitted by Sam McGee to the BOS for approval at their first meeting in July. Frequency of meetings and a set meeting day will be discussed and determined at our next meeting. Committee officers will be elected at our next meeting.
- 4. The importance of intra-committee communication was mentioned. We are required to post minutes of meetings, but should also consider:
  - a. How to address issues that are related to the town's Land Use Ordinance and code matters.
  - b. How to best work together with the Chamber of Commerce and Mound Desert 365.
  - c. General communication to reach summer residents as well as year-around residents.
    - i. Our next meeting is 7/16/2019, the day before the July Summer Resident's meeting.
    - ii. We are contacting the Summer Resident Association (SRA) to see if they can communicate to their membership <u>prior to our meeting</u> the Committee's desire to have them attend and participate in Committee meetings.
    - iii. Durlin will participate again at the SRA meetings. He will provide the following information about the new standing committee.
      - 1. We now are a standing committee
      - 2. Meeting times and dates shown on the Town of Mount Desert website.
      - 3. Summer residents are invited to attend meetings.
- 5. The Committee's proposed Administrative Procedures were reviewed and Committee members will send comments and proposed edits to Jackie as soon as possible.
- 6. The Promenade Park initiative was discussed.
  - a. Recommendation that it now be presented in a report to the BOS.
  - b. Jackie Hewett will coordinate this.
  - c. The Mount Desert Community Development Corporation will continue to participate in the Promenade Park initiative as a separate fund-raising entity.
- 7. Next Meeting Date: The next EDC meeting will be on July 16, 2019, at 7pm, in the Town Office meeting room.

The meeting adjourned at 2:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**Donald Graves**