

## Minutes

Economic Development Committee

Town of Wayland MA

June 18, 2015

Present: Seth Roman, Sean Fair, Jim Grumbach, Becky Stanizzi, John Pugh

The meeting started at 8:44 a.m.

There was no public comment

The minutes of the last meeting were distributed and read. There was one correction of a typo in which WBA replaced WBC. The motion to approve as edited was made by Jean Milburn. The second was offered by Jim Grumbach. The minutes were approved 4-0 vote.

John Pugh is considering membership in EDC. He has background in Finance and Architecture and now works in development. He moved to Wayland about 1.5 years ago.

The members of the committee introduced themselves.

The members each talked about some of their areas of activity within EDC. Sean indicated that the COA may wish to move their concert series to the Town Green where it would be more visible. He continues to talk with COA about establishing a senior discount card system with WBA. Seth remarked that the Wailin' Wednesday events are well attended. Jean has visited the BHappy store and the owner seems happy thus far with sales. Jim Grumbach reported a "no change" status for the Finnerty's property.

The discussion turned to possible future activities. Seth believes that the Jack's Abbey Brew Pub in Framingham may be looking to expand to an additional location and that the business would be an attractive option for Wayland. Sean has talked to representatives of the SVT and the Boy Scouts and the Rail Trail about the "Tree USA" program. Jean has spoken with the Historical Society about the possibility of creating a picnic spot in their yard to serve as a rest area for bike riders entering town on the rail trail.

Sarkis described Eversource's interest in converting the rail bed to a crushed gravel trail at their expense if they can use it to access their equipment. The town would have to pay to upgrade the bridge over the river, but Eversource would provide funds for the entire East to West trail surface.

Becky reported good progress by REAC on River's Edge and hopes the an approved RFP will be ready in the fall.

Jean reported that the CoA/CCAC is making good progress on the due diligence tasks assigned to it by the BOS.

Motion for adjournment by Jean. Second by Jim. Vote 4-0. Meeting adjourned.