

Meeting Minutes
Economic Development Task Force
February 17, 2015

Members present: Paul Fraser, Chair, Janet Cote, Bristol Select Board, Greg Wagner, Robin Ingalls-Fitzgerald, Garlyn Manganiello, Amy-Lyn Kench, Scott Stephens and Michael Capone. Absent: Rick Alpers, Woody Miller

The meeting was called to order at 4:05PM by the Task Force Chair, Mr. Fraser.

The Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2015 Meeting. Garlyn Manganiello made a motion seconded by Robin Ingalls-Fitzgerald. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Fraser reviewed some of the business survey data with those present. He noted that it might be good to leave the survey up for some additional time to get more responses. Those present were in agreement. There was discussion with regard to reaching out to other businesses through Facebook and other media to encourage more responses.

Chairman Fraser also mentioned that he had met with students in the Graphic Design Department at PSU to discuss the business welcome package. They agreed to review the material and offer ideas as to how to do the layout. Chairman Fraser is expecting to hear back from them in approximately two weeks.

Chairman Fraser noted that there was a forwarding email being set up on the website that would take comments directed to the Economic Development Committee and send them along to his email.

There was also discussion with regard to developing a presence on the Towns website.

Chairman Fraser provided an update with regard to the business seminar. The event will be held on April 13, 2015 from 5PM to 7PM at the Minot Sleeper Library meeting room. Invites will be going out from the Plymouth Regional Chamber as well as the NLRA. A registration link will be distributed to Task Force Members via email. The Town Administrator will confirm the occupancy of the room with the Fire Chief.

Ms. Ingalls – Fitzgerald asked if the PSU material would be available in a soft copy draft. Chairman Fraser assumed that it would.

Mrs. Cote asked if it would be good to get out a press release with regard to the business seminar as well as information regarding the joint effort with PSU.

Mrs. Manganiello provided a brief update on the Lakes Region Triathlon at New found Lake. The dates will be the weekend of September 25 and 26. She mentioned that the website would be up soon.

Mrs. Manganiello also mentioned that she had spoken with Ryan Schramm, the General Manager of Ragged Mountain and he would be interested in coming to speak with the group. There was considerable discussion about how best to work with the Mountain and the role that Bristol plays as the “hub” of this area. Mr. Stephens mentioned that it is important to remember that all of the area Towns need to be included in the economic development discussion.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 17th at 4PM in the Bristol Town Office Meeting Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM

Respectfully submitted

Michael Capone

Paul Fraser, Chair

Janet Cote

Robin Ingalls-Fitzgerald

Amy Lyn Kench

Garlyn Manganiello

Greg Wagner

Scott Stephens