

Jaffrey Economic Development Council
Draft Minutes 05/23/12
9:00 am Town Office

Present: Kathy Batchelder, Don MacIsaac, Bill Schofield, Mike Shea, Cathy Furze

Staff: Jo Anne Carr

1. Pedestrian Improvements

As a follow-up to the traffic improvements project JB Mack will be in next month to brief the EDC on the Safe Routes to School Grant Program. Specific concerns include a need to optimize the crossing signals as the cycle skips the pedestrian crossing signal causing a wait of two to three cycles at times; the condition of the sidewalks in general and pedestrian access around and through the Downtown (between the 5 way and 4 way intersections); also of interest is assessing the potential to install new sidewalks along Stratton and Turnpike Road. While there is some funding available through the DT TIFD, a specific plan and construction schedule has to be in place. This funding source can be complemented through the Safe Routes to School Grant Program.

2. Signage

Jo Anne presented some samples of signs for the industrial districts and for the Downtown shopping area. The EDC would like to ask a local vendor to bid on the project. She will contact Oakridge Signs in New Ipswich for product samples and pricing. There will be 2 set of signs 1) for the industrial districts, 2 or 3 and 2) for the entering downtown directional signage, 4.

3. Status Reports

a. *Stone Bridge Water Mains*: Jo Anne reported that the grant has been awarded and bid documents are being prepared for EDA engineering review. The EDC asked that a public informational presentation be made to those businesses in the SB District. Jo Anne will coordinate that meeting which is likely to occur in mid to late July.

b. *Elite Laundry*: While the injection program is underway, the next phase of the project is the planning for re-use of the site. The projects consultant is working with the Town to develop some conceptual plans for the site. We'll have some sketches to present to the EDC for next meeting.

c. *Marketing/Town Calendar*: Kathy reported that 15 -20 organizations participated in the recent meeting regarding a town-wide calendar, each with significant contributions to make. The calendar is likely to be co-hosted with TEAM Jaffrey and the Chamber of Commerce.

4. Other

5. Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: June 27, 2012
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