

KITTERY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – MINUTES – **APPROVED 1-27-2021**

January 27, 2020

Regular Meeting 4:00PM

Virtual via Zoom

1. *Call to Order*

Chairperson Dow called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

2. *Roll Call.*

Members present: Chair George Dow, Tom Emerson, Jeff Clifford, Stephen Kosacz, Drew Fitch

Staff present: Planning Director Adam Causey

3. *Agenda Amendment/Adoption.*

Chairperson Dow cast one vote for acceptance of the Agenda as presented.

4. *Acceptance of Previous Minutes: November 18, 2020*

Motion by George Dow to approve the November 18, 2020 minutes as presented, second by Drew Fitch. Motion passes 4-0.

5. *All items involving visitors / requested officials: None*

6. *Committee Reports: None*

7. *Unfinished Business: None*

Stephen Kosacz joined the meeting.

8. *New Business.*

a. *Old Post Road small area planning*

Adam Causey presented more information on planning for redevelopment at the now Town-owned lots at the corner of Old Post Road and Dennett Road. Planning staff would like the EDC to assist in a small area plan for the location to align the potential redevelopment with neighborhood and Town wishes and needs. Mr. Clifford asked about the shoreland overlays that might impact redevelopment. Mr. Emerson noted that the existing zoning would be restrictive for any new projects and zoning changes would be necessary. Mr. Causey explained that many of the lots are slit zoned between BL and RU districts. Mr. Fitch expressed interest in some type of charrette proceeding. Mr. Dow requested maps to review. Mr. Causey displayed the Town GIS to help visualize the area. Mr. Causey agreed to bring more analysis to the next meeting.

b. *Adult Use Marijuana*

Mr. Causey explained that an adult use marijuana proposal was going before the Planning Board on February 11th and inquired if the EDC wanted to have a recommendation on the idea or language. Members separately expressed many different opinions on allowing retail marijuana. Due to lack of consensus, the EDC decided against issuing any recommendation.

9. *Committee Member Issues or Comments.*

Tom Emerson noted that the EDC needed to name a member to the Kittery Land Issues Committee (KLIC).

10. Meeting Schedule & Adjournment.

NEXT MEETING: February 17, 2021; 4:00PM, via Zoom

**ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by George Dow at 5:05pm, seconded by Jeff Clifford.
Motion passes 5-0.**