Approved Minutes August 24, 2021, Economic Advisory Committee Meeting

DUXBURY, MASS.

Town Hall Mural Room Chuck Weilbrenner called the meeting to order at 8:30 am

A quorum was present with Chuck Weilbrenner, Mike Juliano, Lisa Grace, Clark Hinkley and Kurt Franke

Mike McGee, Selectmen representative, and Scott Casagrande Planning Board Representative Absent: Deb Bowen

February 4, 2020, minutes amended and approved.

Discussion of priorities for use of the American Rescue Plan Act

Duxbury has thus far received \$3.4 million directly to the town and there is another \$110 million that Plymouth County will disperse to towns for capital expenditures. A review of the criteria was presented by Mike McGee. We then discussed options for septic improvements in the business districts, broadband expansion, sidewalks in town, and traffic flow in Halls Corner.

This committee has dedicated much of the last few years to seeking improvements to the Hall's Corner Business District. It was decided that the committee would recommend moving ahead with changing the traffic pattern in Hall's Corner. Our goal would be to have an attractive, safer, and more accessible business district for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists.

It was decided that Chuck Weilbrenner will put together a draft of a proposal to be discussed amongst the group and presented to John Adams at the next meeting.

Planning Board and Planning Director Update

It was noted that Valerie Massard was an asset to this committee and the town. Her ability to secure funds from grants will be missed. Scott Casagrande informed us that he will be the new planning board representative to this committee. He has replaced John Bear. He also mentioned that a search is taking place to hire a new Town Planning Director.

Topics for Next Meetings Agenda

Discuss and present a case for securing ARPA funds from the county for improvements to Hall's Corner.

Invite John Adams to participate.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be scheduled on a Thursday evening, September 30th at 7:00. Location is yet to be determined.

Adjourn: Chuck Weilbrenner called for adjournment at 9:55am

Minutes submitted by Chuck Weilbrenner