

MILFORD INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday, March 19, 2015
4:00 P.M., Room 14, Milford Town Hall

Members Present: Joseph Boczanowski, Larry Dunkin (Chair), Daniel Gregory, Michael Meurant, Matt Shields, Joseph Soares.

Members Absent: Courtney Derderian, Scott Kaplan, Robert Mitchell, Tony Pinto, Peter Scandone.

The meeting was called to order at 4:12 P.M.

Minutes of previous meeting: The Chairman received unanimous consent to accept the minutes of the 1-15-15 IDC meeting as written. (The February meeting had been canceled.)

Review Zoning Articles on 5-18-15 ATM Warrant: The Town Planner reviewed the various zoning articles. The article of most interest to the IDC is the rezoning on Medway Street in the vicinity of 55 Medway. This would establish a CB Commercial district from Maria's Restaurant to the property west of the Alamo. This area has had disjointed inappropriate zoning for a number of years.

Possible Renewal of Main Street Festival: Joseph Soares indicated interest in re-establishing a festival on Main Street in the downtown area. He suggested that the Milford Area Chamber of Commerce be the main sponsor for such an event, and noted that he would take that proposal to the Chamber in the near future. He also noted his discussions regarding this matter with both the Town Planner and with Sue Clark, current Senior Center Director and former Community Development Director. Mr. Soares will be meeting with Ms. Clark next week to seek advice as well as background information on the prior festivals.

The members also discussed the possibility of reviving the Downtown Partnership if there was determined to be sufficient interest from the downtown businesses. The Town Planner has been in contact with Arlen Johnson, who had served on the Partnership's board of directors, and who has maintained many of the pertinent files and incorporation documents.

This item will be placed on the agenda for follow-up at the next IDC meeting.

Update: Town-wide GIS: The Chairman briefly reviewed the progress on the GIS Implementation Plan. Additional presentations to both the Selectmen and the Finance Committee will still be necessary, but to date have not taken place. It is expected that they will be made once a new Board of Selectmen is seated after the election. As was voted at the January meeting, the IDC budget will be used for these purposes for the balance of the fiscal year.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 P.M.