TOWN OF STOW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the February 13, 2020 Economic Development and Industrial Commission Meeting

Members Present: Kevin Whalen, Tom Farnsworth, Bob Collings, Serena Howlett

Absent: Andrew Bluestein, Jen Gero

Kevin Whalen called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Discussion of Meeting Minutes

Minutes of January 23, 2020 Bob Collings moved to approve the minutes as written. Serena Howlett seconded. VOTED: (4-0) Unanimously in favor (Kevin Whalen, Bob Collings, Tom Farnsworth, Serena Howlett - Yea).

<u>Public Input</u>

None.

<u>Annual Work Plan</u>

The EDIC discussed their annual work plan and agreed on the following tasks:

- Job Fair- Next steps include a planning discussion at an upcoming meeting, assuming that Jen Gero would lead the process.
- Sign Bylaw- members of the EDIC agreed to support the Planning Board in the hiring of a consultant to revise the Sign Bylaw. Should the Lower Village Business District zoning revision include signage for that district, the consultant could be asked for an additional services proposal to revise town-wide signage. Next steps include waiting for the Planning Board to begin the procurement process.
- Public Water Supply Feasibility members of the EDIC agreed to support the Planning Board and Lower Village Revitalization Committee in providing comment and financial support of hiring a consultant to conduct a water supply feasibility study. Bob Collings said he would like to know more about Rep. Kate Hogan's understanding and involvement in the effort to get access to a public water supply. Valerie Oorthuys agreed to share the Edge Community Commission Final Report with the EDIC. Next steps include waiting for the Planning Board to begin the procurement process.

Meeting Adjourned. Respectfully Submitted, Valerie Oorthuys