

Economic Improvement Commission Minutes

The Economic Improvement Commission (EIC) held a meeting on Wednesday, November 21, 2019 at Charlestown Town Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 pm.
2. ROLL: Present were Chair Craig Marr, Irwin Birnbaum, Dominic DellaVolpe, Victoria Wicks and Town Council liaison Deb Carney.
3. MINUTES FROM MEETING OF October 30, 2019 - The minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Dominic DellaVolpe and seconded by Irwin Birnbaum.
4. TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. DellaVolpe reported that the Commission is on target for the budget allotted to sponsorship of the Holiday Ramble as well as overall fiscal year to date.
5. 2019 BUSINESS FORUM: The Commission reviewed the feedback surveys from the Business Forum held on November 7. All attendees found the session valuable and made recommendations for potential future topics.
6. SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2019 HOLIDAY RAMBLE/STROLL: Ms. Lauren Classey provided an update on preparations for the event and distributed copies of the map designating participating businesses. She reported how positive the Town response has been in making the event a success.
7. TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Ms. Carney informed the Commission members that Town ordinances on Temporary Mass Gatherings and Mobile Food Establishments that are required by the State have been drafted, but are in the process of revision due to their potential negative impact on local businesses.
8. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
9. NEXT MEETING DATE and AGENDA ITEMS - The Commission will meet December 19, 2019 at Town Hall. Agenda topics will include: Follow up on the Holiday Ramble and a detailed review of the Economic Opportunity chapter of the Town's Comprehensive Plan draft.
10. ADJOURNMENT: The Chair accepted a motion to adjourn at 10:17 pm from Dominic DellaVolpe and seconded by Victoria Wicks.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Wicks
Acting Secretary

APPROVED December 19, 2019