



**TOWN OF NORFOLK
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

September 12, 2019

5:00

Minutes – DRAFT

Present: Libby Borden, Bill Brown, Sue Frisch, Larry Hannafin, Marie Lowe, Tom McGowan, Jim Nelson
Absent: Pete Anderson, Jon Riedeman, Kathy Williams
Guests: Caroline Childs, John DeShazo and son Wilson, Sally Hannafin, Paul Malore, Wiley Wood

Libby called the meeting to order at 5:00.

The minutes of the meeting of July 11, 2019 were approved.

Libby welcomed Marie Lowe back to the EDC.

The commission officially approved the \$100 contribution to Arts Night Out.

WIN: Sue said that WIN was successful. She will get the results from the survey in a week or so. There is a WIN meeting on Saturday at 9:00 am to discuss the weekend and future weekends.

Fiber Optics: Bill reported that the Fiber Optics group is having four focus groups on September 24 and 25 about bringing fiber optics to Norfolk. There will also be a series of articles in Norfolk Now about fiber optics as well as an informational gathering in October.

Website: Bill said the website is running well but we need to get more traffic to the site.

Bill then said that there are many projects that the EDC should be following and pursuing and suggested each EDC member take one on and report each month.

- DOT – Larry
- Community Association liaison – Kathy and Marie
- Train to Canaan – Tom
- URL on Welcome to Norfolk sign – in his absence Jon was suggested
- Congregational Steeple – Jim
- Botelle School – Libby
- WIN – Sue

- Fiber Optics – Bill and Libby

Jim reported that after a slow start the NCMF ended the summer with record attendance for the second year. He also said that three of Yale Summer School of Music string quartet alumni were represented at the Banff Festival and it was won by the Viano String Quartet, an amazing achievement for NCMF.

Libby said that on October 21 there will be a discussion at the HUB with the six candidates for the Board of Education.

Paul reported that the POCD was approved Tuesday and is available.

Those interested in the City Meadow should attend the monthly meeting of the City Meadow subcommittee which will be on September 16 at 5:30

Libby Borden and Bill Brown