

## TOWN OF NORFOLK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION December 8, 2022, 5:00pm via Zoom MINUTES

Present: Libby Borden, Sue Frisch, Larry Hannafin, Kate Johnson, Marie Lowe, Tom

McGowan, Michael Selleck

Absent: Jon Riedeman, Brett Robbins

Guest: Erick Olsen

Libby Borden called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

The minutes of the November 10, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved.

Libby introduced Erick Olsen and asked him to talk about NET and ways that the EDC could help. Erick described all the different ways that NET reaches out to the community in addition to providing funds: Gifting Board, Maker Space, Norfstroms. The Food Pantry is an important component of NET. A suggestion was made to post Food Pantry needs on the town website as well as at the Post Office and the Hub on a weekly basis. Erick said that he would like to think of more ways to make connections between a variety of people in town. And he would like to create more employment opportunities for Norfolk residents. The Commission suggested that Erick and the EDC keep in contact and that Erick returns in a few months for a follow-up.

Libby may have someone to run Friday Nights on the Village Green. She will update the Commission later with more information.

Larry has created a petition for the DOT to slow traffic. Copies of the petition will be at the Hub and other places around town as well as on the website. The EDC hopes to get as many as 300 signatures to present to the DOT.

The Foundation for Norfolk Living expects to begin construction at Haystack Woods early 2023.

WIN Winter Weekend will be February 25 and 26.

Marie and West did the Holiday decorations for the Community Association this year. Marie reported that NCA continues to work on the sculpture project, lighting up the monument on Memorial Green, and the dog park (scheduled to be completed in May). The EDC plans to have a bench at the dog park in memory of Bill Brown.

Tom said that the train project is dead. Also there are very few active housing listings in Norfolk at the moment.

A suggestion was made to remember to call on the Boy and Girl Scouts for young volunteers for projects.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50.

Libby and Michael