



**TOWN OF NORFOLK
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
June 12 2025 5:00pm
MINUTES
Zoom**

Present: Jennifer Almquist, Libby Borden, Sue Frisch, Cheryl Heller, Tom McGowan, Kate Johnson, Jon Riedeman,

Absent: Larry Hannafin, Brett Robbins, Robert Whipple

Libby called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

The minutes of the April meeting, were unanimously approved.

Libby had distributed a copy of the EDC budget to the commission by e-mail. Libby pointed out that there is an unspent amount of more than \$5,000 which will revert to the Town. She assumes the budget for 2025-26 will remain the same at \$8,400 although Town Hall has not yet been able to provide a copy.

Jennifer suggested the EDC visit EDC's in other towns to get a sense of what they do.

Cheryl would like to have a discussion at an EDC meeting as to how the EDC can support efforts in town by individuals or groups who wish to increase the economic development but who face opposition.

Libby said that this was her last meeting as chair and if any of the commission members were thinking of stepping off the committee, this would be a good time to do it to allow Brett, who is taking over as chair, to suggest new and perhaps younger members for Board of Selectmen appointment.

Tom said he may step down but wanted to let the commission know that he has materials he has created that he is willing to share which highlight Norfolk's attractions.

There were further discussions about the sale of the Arcanum building, WIN weekend, Haystack Woods but no action was taken.

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

Libby Borden