

Economic Development Task Force Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 5-24-2023

Attendees: Mr. Frieden, Ms. Miles, Ms. Pedone (joined late)

Meeting was opened at 5:03 p.m.

Ms. Miles served as acting chair because Ms. Pedone was going to be late in joining.

Mr. Frieden motioned to approve the meeting minutes from 4-6-2023 meeting. Ms. Miles seconded. All approved.

There was one opening on the Gateway Signs for 23-24 due to one winner declining (Rt. 140 Sterling side, back). All 7 remaining applicants were emailed if they wanted to be entered in the drawing for a second sign. Two submitted requests to be considered for this drawing. Total Fitness & Nutrition won the spot. Campfire Cannabis is the alternate, should Total Fitness decline the location.

Invoices for the winners (except today's drawing) were sent by the Town Administrator's office.

The recently created business contact intake form has received only one submission. Ms. Pedone requested members get the word out as much as possible.

Future agenda items were discussed. Next meeting will include discussing how to work with DPW to install new signs and take down the old ones, as well as how we return the old signs. The agenda will also include discussing reaching out to new businesses for feedback on the process of getting a business started in West Boylston.

The next meeting was set for Monday, June 5, 2023, 5:30 PM via zoom.

Mr. Frieden motioned to adjourn. Ms. Pedone seconded. All voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:17 pm.