

IDC Meeting Minutes

03/09/2023

Attendees: Chris Jackson, Julie Jones, Keith Wells, Chris McDermott

Meeting Convened

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 pm.

Motion: Julie Jones
Second: Keith Wells
Vote: 3-0-0

Acceptance of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on February 9, 2023 were discussed and approved.

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Second: Julie Jones
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Quarterly Select Board Update

McDermott alerted the members he intended to provide the Select Board a quarterly report at some point in the coming month.

Downtown

A. BETA Group, Inc. & TOD

McDermott discussed feedback received during the past month's public workshops and explained that the Planning Board would be pausing the public input phase of the project in order to draft a final proposal, ahead of a public hearing in May. He also made members aware that the Town's new planner- Sarah Raposa- had officially stepped into her new role.

B. Downtown Grants and Business Assistance

McDermott stated that he had recently spoken with Rep. Scanlon, who offered to insert a \$50,000 line item into the House's FY2024 budget proposal, supporting the creation of a Sign & Façade Program.

Discover Mansfield

McDermott discussed the latest activity relative to choosemansfield.com and the Discover Mansfield social media suite.

IDC Membership

McDermott informed the members that Jim Shriver, a Mansfield resident and Deputy Executive Director of the Village at Willow Crossing, had been appointed to the IDC but was unfortunately unable to attend that night.

Members discussed filling the two remaining seats and whether there were any specific industries or business sectors they should seek to have represented in potential candidates.

Business Development & Outreach Updates

McDermott updated the IDC on recent business development and outreach efforts.

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Key Partnerships

McDermott discussed recent efforts undertaken via the Town's memberships with numerous economic development organizations.

Any Items Not Known 48 Hours In Advance

No items raised.

Adjourn

The Commission moved to adjourn at 7:05 pm.

Motion: Julie Jones
Second: Keith Wells
Vote: 3-0-0

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Julie Jones', written in a cursive style.