

Meeting TEDC April 9, 2023

Called to order at 6:11

Present. Kelly Goodson. Pat Farley. Rich Collins. Wyatt Berrier (via phone). Matt Griffin. Steve Schaeffer

We need to Name an alternate to sit in for Laura - it was moved and seconded that Kelly will do so.

Steve is the new Select board liaison to the TEDC (Introductions)

Motion to approve March 6th draft meeting minutes by Wyatt. Second by Matt. All votes Aye. Minutes approved.

Web - Pat asked Rich if the TEDC is in control of all our domains and such to relieve Kimball. Rich explained we are managing the sites on our own and we should be all set moving forward. We do not currently have a TEDC email on the website. We may need to set one up.

Pat explained the purpose of the forums and we discussed options for our next discussions. Charities. Endowments. Land Trusts. Wills and Trusts and ways to pass land and or wealth on after passing. Alex Moot is knowledgeable on end of life charitable grants and land trusts. Hospice was mentioned by Kelly. Honorary cemetery (plant a tree) was mentioned. Ways to honor important people. Kelly suggested Input from TCNA (Nurses).

It was decided that business structure (LLC, corp, B-corp, etc) discussion would be a different discussion.

Matt had suggested August was a good time to have the forum - when the summer people who own land may be likely to physically be in town. Mid July was decided as a starting point/goal.

Michelle Cleveland was suggested for the business structure discussion. September was suggested as a target for the second discussion about choosing the proper business structure.

The discussion turned to the website. We should update the TEDC website with more current information about the broadband situation as it stands today. (Consolidated was chosen). Joe Kenney and Mary Ellen Player might be good resources.

Discussion started by Matt about Consolidated winning the broadband bid. He suggested that It may not have been the best choice for Tamworth. It isn't clear according to Matt if all people in the town are

going to be served. We as a town should aim for 100 percent coverage. Hub 66 was going to run a hub and wireless solution that would potentially better serve all citizens. Consolidated may not decide to run lines to remote homes. (Fiber).

Pat will call Joe Kenney and Mary Ellen for clarification about the grant and our current state of Broadband in Tamworth. Steve Schaeffer will touch base with Richard Doucette. Rich Collins will put any new info we obtain on the TEDC website.

Pat spoke on the status of the Street Fair. Wyatt asked for the contact list of vendors. Pat explained the street fair as it was in the past. It had ended at COVID and we would like to resume the fair but we do not have a person to spearhead the planning but are actively looking for interest outside the board.

Humberto may not be interested in joining the TEDC but his wife Eleanor is interested. Pat has encouraged the TEDC to find new members and Wyatt was active.

Pat made a motion to approve Eleanor Aparicio as a TEDC board member. Wyatt seconded. Vote taken and Eleanor was unanimously approved as a board member at large. Now it must be taken to the town.