

Tamworth Economic Development Minutes
September 13, 2016

Meeting Called to order at 6:00pm by Pat Farley.

Members Present: Pat Farley, Mary Phelps, Kelly Goodson, Lloyd Hadden, Kimball Packard, Susan Ticehurst, Jim Hidden

- Motion to accept agenda by Pat Farley, Seconded by Lloyd Hadden.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Pat suggested that we request a Warrant Article to establish a revenue line for TEDC in the general fund. Motion made by Pat Farley, seconded by Kimball Packard, unanimous vote in favor.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion opened on creating the TVB{ Tamworth Visitors Bureau} and the pros and cons of it being a subcommittee of the TEDC.

Benefits:

- Insurance Coverage
- No 501.c.3 needs to be formed,
- Follows Mission statement of the TEDC re. Business and Tourist Promotion
- Co-op advertising and events

Discussion followed on how to independently fund and amount of possible dues for members.

Pat, Mary and Kimball met with Kathy and Darlene from the Town office earlier in the day to discuss structure since it would be a self funded subcommittee using NO town funds. Kimball will research grant opportunities and will report at the next meeting.

Various options for structure of this Visitors Bureau were discussed and Pat will revisit with the town as the best way to set up the TVB. She will address the points we have brought forward and report findings at the October Meeting.

-A discussion of an open house inviting businesses to learn about the new TVB will take place in late November or early December. Date will be decided at the October Meeting.

- TEDC Website: tamworthnh.net

- Kimball is working with Dennis Quinn to update the website
- Change to a more friendly server, Square Space, more interactive

- Street Fair

- Motion by Kimball to vote to hold a second annual Street Fair again for 2017. Seconded by Lloyd Hadden, Vote was 6 in favor, Kelly abstaining since she had been late in arriving in on the discussion.

- Dates will be open for discussion depending on other activities in town, like Old Home Week.
- No street banner for 2017, this year's banner will come down after October 16.

- Budget 2017

- Pat will present TEDC budget to Selectmen in December with the request for a revenue line, as discussed.

- Meeting postings:

- Post a calendar in the town office and on websites

- No Commission meeting in December

- Perhaps change the date for January

- MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:00pm: Motion by Pat Farley, Seconded by Kimball Packard, all in favor.