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10-Year Strategic Planning Committee
Wednesday, September 11, 2019 @ 7:00pm
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: Kathie Vrlik, Don Smith, Stephan Behuniak, Trish Danka & Rory Burke

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Sadie Colcord, Economic Development consultant

Item #1: Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3: Public comment

There was no public comment.

Item #4: Approval of August minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

Motion: Stephan Behuniak

Second: Rory Burke

Vote: 3-0-1 (Trish Danka & Kathie Vrlik abstain)

Item #5: Continue discussion of Implementation Plan

The board reviewed the changes from the last meeting. Kathie and Trish will submit any comments because they were absent.

Kurt will update at October meeting.

The Committee agreed for the need to codify their method for posterity in case board membership turns over.

Sadie spoke regarding her perspective so far in working with Seymour. She recommended improved signage for the industrial park, changes to the R-18 zone, enhanced parking signage in downtown Seymour, implementation of street art. She also recommended the creation of a revolving loan fund to facilitate property improvement, tax increment financing district to encourage redevelopment along Derby Avenue and the creation of an economic development corporation to encourage the desired redevelopment in Town. She also recommended the creation of a logo and motif to create a brand, hosting events with existing businesses to promote them and aggressively pursuing a transit-oriented development plan and grants to achieve the same.

Item #6: Finalize the list and prepare an outline for the presentation to the Selectmen.

Kathie will put together a framework for discussion.

Item #7: Open discussion

There was no further discussion.

Item #8: Public comment

There was no public comment.

Item #9: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Motion: Don Smith

Second: Rory Burke

Vote: 5-0

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rory Burke', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rory Burke
Recording Secretary