



## MEETING MINUTES

BOARD/COMMITTEE NAME: Mendon Economic Development Committee

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, April 13, 2020

TIME OF MEETING: 6:30 P.M.

LOCATION OF MEETING: Zoom

Members Present: Tom Merolli (Chair), Todd Gleason, Ann Mazar, John Danielson, Anthony Genna,

Others Present: Bob Sweet (Local Business Owner), Dan Byer (Parks Dept. Director), Lawney Tinio (Select Board), Kevin Kuros (MA office of Business Development), Jeannie Hebert (Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce), State Rep. Brian Murray, Bob Nelson (SBA), John Niedzelski (Congressman Jim McGovern's office)

1. Meeting called to order 6:30 PM by Chair Tom Merolli
2. Tom read the order from the governor allowing remote meetings
3. Federal Action/Cares Act
  - Bob Nelson spoke about Cares Act, and what was included for small business assistance, including programs such as the PPP and Economic Injury Loans.
4. State Help For Businesses
  - Participating in the workshare program will NOT negatively impact Unemployment insurance

-Todd Gleason asked about a business interruption bill in the legislature

-Rep. Murray said a lot more focus on housing issues

#### 5. Local Help for Businesses

-Jeannie Hebert from the Chamber of Commerce talked about all of the programs offered for businesses by the chamber, including PPE for local businesses.

-Selectman Tinio talked about PPP program and how it has worked for him, as well as local businesses who he was talked to.

#### 6. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM

Full recording of the meeting can be found at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KQyZe\\_qPDkk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KQyZe_qPDkk)