Jaffrey Economic Development Council Draft Minutes 4/12/18

9:00 am Town Office

- Present: Peter Chamberlain, Chair Dominique Cassie, Cathy Furze, Sam Hackler, Ed Merrell, Max Mitchell, Stephanie Niemela, Bill Schofield, Jim Weimann
- Staff: Jo Anne Carr, Director Jon Frederick, Town Manager
- 1. <u>Debrief Public Workshop Route 202/124 Traffic Improvements</u>

Initial comments were supportive of the presentation, that it was an opportunity for everyone to speak in an open manner. There was a focus on the control at the 5-way intersection, whether lighted or with a roundabout, and concern for pedestrian safety. While there is a sentiment that the workshop didn't change people's position, it was an opportunity to see in greater detail the alternatives. The voting was a positive element, but there was a lack of trust in the results from some people. Whatever the solution, there will be a negative impact to the downtown businesses during construction, but the feeling was that it would be a long term gain.

The EDC would like to be advised of the next Advisory Committee meeting.

2. <u>WW Cross Roundtable Discussion</u>

Jon came to the EDC to report that the Town has engaged legal assistance for guidance on tax deeding the property. The Southwest Region Planning Commission administers a grant program for brownfields assessment funded through the EPA. We are applying to that program for \$4000 to finance the costs of legal counsel. We expect that the Selectmen would like to solicit input into the future re-use of the site.

- Other Business Voting on Officers: JW made a motion to keep the slate of officers, with Peter Chamberlain as Chair and Cathey Furze as Vice Chair, unanimous vote in favor.
- 4 <u>Adjourn</u>

Next meeting Date: May 10, 2018 @ 9:00 AM