

TOWN OF PITTSFIELD Community Development Committee Town Office 85 Main Street Pittsfield, NH 03263 May 8, 2019

- 1. Meeting began at 6:32.
- 2. Attendees: Louie Houle (LH), Fred Endler (FE), Dale Frizzelle (DF), Marty Brennan (MB), Ellen Barbasso (EB), and Tracy Huyck.
- 3. Minutes for April 24, 2019 approved and accepted.
- 4. Library is still waiting for a report from Preservation Alliance.

 The person who is evaluating the barn is coming back to take more pictures, then he will make his report on the barn.

5. First Impressions

The next meeting will be on Monday May 13th at 6pm. Tracy and Louie had pictures of the garbage cans. They are metal with mesh on the sides for listing advertisers or sponsors of the cans. They will have locking covers. We also want small openings so people will not put their household trash into the cans. They will weigh about 80 pounds. We are also going to get kiosks. They will hold 4 pieces of paper across and 2 down (total 8) of 8 ½ x 11 sheets. We will need to get permission from owners for locations that are not town properties. Possible locations are: 2 at Dustin Park, Post Office, liquor store, or Danis, Union Block and Jack's Pizza (we will need permission from owner of the property for that. We will list public hearings, events in town, community events, etc.

6. Solar Project:

Several members of the CDC took a road trip to Milton, NH to see their solar array at the landfill at the town dump. It is the same company that we will be working with. We will be meeting with Andrew Keller of New England Solar Garden. We would like to have an informational meeting with Andrew and people of the town. He can answer questions and bring drawings of solar arrays that they have done in other areas.

7. Rail Trail

There was a meeting on April 17th in Epsom. The meeting included Louie Houle, Ralph O'Dell, a person who sells ATV's, Epsom Snowmobile Club and another snowmobile club We want people to come into Pittsfield. Possible paths would include Tilton Hill by the river, up to the baseball field; Clark St behind the pools and behind the schools.

A suggestion was made to invite landowners to a meeting and have them be part of a committee to work on the trails. It would be good for walkers, bicyclists, cross country skiers. Grooming the trails could be a problem. Epsom has their own machine for grooming trails. The railroad beds would need stone dust, drainage.

The biggest problem is getting someone to lead the group. They need representation form Pittsfield and Chichester.

- 8. Brownfields- Fred got an email back from Steve Rickerich on the Freese property. There are 2 areas of concern, by the old boiler building and the long building. According to EPA standards there is still a large amount of asbestos in the soil. It would cost about \$30,000 for clean-up. They need to submit a plan to the EPA. They will do more testing which will be done by the end of the summer. Most of the asbestos is on the surface of the soil, it does not go deep. They can apply for a grant to remove the asbestos. Phase 2 will be done by the end of summer. It would include bore holes, test wells, and test pits.
- 9. Pittsfield Main Street Façade Grant

There is no updates yet. They needed additional information and pictures of the store fronts.

10. Other: Mr. Gamble is finishing the house on 113 Main St. When it is done he will come to one of our meetings and invite the Community Development Committee to an open house. He is also working on the house next to the Town Hall.

The owner of the building on Depot St. (next to the theater) wants to put in 4 apartments. It might be a good place for the Pittsfield Players to use for storage, intermissions, etc.

11. Next meeting will be May 22, 2019, at 6:30pm

12. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 P

Submitted by

Louie Houle-Chairman

Minutes taken by:

Ellen Barbasso, Secretary