

Wednesday, June 19, 2024, 6:00 pm

In-PERSON/VIRTUAL MEETING

Room 0041, City Hall

By Phone or Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 617-065-5357

Pass Code: 959083

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RDA STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

~~1) 100 W. Main St. block demolition, Town Square design etc., and publicizing town square project for possible funding from sources other than the City.~~

2) Facilitating quality development in downtown, and

3) Creating an approach and working to attract development projects downtown.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
 - A. Present: Becker, Board, Maas, & Lampe
 - B. Virtual: Hurtgen & Eric Mayne (RINKA)
 - C. Absent: Wagner, Zimmermann & Nowatka
 - D. Other attendees: one local resident
3. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order at 6:20 pm
4. **Review/Approve:** Minutes of Previous Meetings – May 15, 2024
 - A. **Board motioned to approve.**
Maas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Public Comment: None
6. Old Business: None
7. New Business:
 - A. Due to a personal issue, Tom Coogan from the DNR was unable to attend and present. Will try to reschedule in the future.
 - B. Eric Mayne from RINKA presented via Zoom a recap of the Community Engagement Open House held at the Watertown Public Library. Discussion on offering the video from the event and a survey opportunity to gather more feedback. Will schedule the next Steering Committee meeting.
 - C. Discussion about the lack of provided detailed budget with the application for the Beltz Grant.
Board motioned to approve the application. There was no second or carry.
Maas motioned to postpone approval until more information is provided.
Lampe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
 - D. **Board motioned to approve the three recommended Housing Rehab Grant applications.**
Maas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Status Reports:
 - A. Lisa Famularo emailed out the social media report to the board.
 - B. Discussion on approval of the Development Agreement between the City and the Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation.

C. None

1. Lampe brought up three items for a future agenda

- a. If the Executive Director had been formally approved by the RDA.
- b. If a performance review can be put in place for the Executive Director
- c. 111 S Water St status.

Becker mentioned he was only introduced at the first meeting he attended. He wasn't appointed to the Executive Director position. However, the Executive Director position is part of the City job description for the SIDC.

Discussion followed on the three topics. Lampe will connect with the mayor on these questions.

2. Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 6 pm.

9. Adjournment at 7:05 pm

Maas motioned to adjourn.

Board seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.