

January 27, 2021

TIF Committee Minutes for January 27, 2021 6:00 pm

Board members present: Dan Boivin, Brent Chesley, Tom Michaud, Jamie Pitney, Jim Wilkens, Michael (Mickey) Wing and James Wentworth and Bob McFarland. Also present was Town Manager, Rebecca Hapgood and Secretary, Marie Michaud.

Members of the public that commented: Ronald Breton

Note: The TIF Mission Statement, which was obtained from Frank Shores, states Becky has voting rights. She agreed to vote if there is a tie vote situation. Also, Tom M mentioned to the members that Tom Rumpf is the new chairman of the revolving fund subcommittee.

1. Since the prior minutes were not emailed to each member, there was no motion to accept. Minutes will be sent with the current meetings minutes.
2. Treasurer's report: The Causeway project monies were discussed relating to the current requisition for payment to the contractor and overall costs to complete. Lots of figures were mentioned but no solid figures were available yet. James W made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Bob M. The roll call vote was unanimous to accept.
3. Block A1: Pertains to the Causeway project. With a request for more current information this block was skipped for now.
4. Block C6: A motion to fund \$2,500 per year was made by Brent C and seconded by Jim W. Roll call was unanimous in favor.
5. Block C7: Regarding trails; After discussion by members due to the tight budget and public comment by Ron Breton at public comment, a motion to fund \$25,000 this year was made by Bob M. and seconded by Jim W. Roll call was JJ Wentworth and Brent Chesley votes no, all others voted yes.
6. Block C8: A motion to fund with \$30,000 for one year was made by Jamie P and seconded by Mickey W. Roll call was one no by Bob M with all others accepting the motion. At this time Dan B left before roll call due to another commitment.

7. Block C9: Broad Band; Much discussion entailed. Tom M suggested to fund the requested amount of \$62,000 for this year. Micky made a motion to reduce the amount by half with James W seconding. Ron Breton, in public comment, suggested this could be a proposal to the town for a bond for 20 years and taken out of the TIF funds. With the motion seconded for funding at \$31,250 for 2 years and \$62,500 for the next 22 years, Roll Call was unanimous. Those still present in roll call were: James W, Jaime P, Brent C, Mickey W., Bob M, Jim W., & Tom M.
8. Block D1: Tom M suggested to fund this block with \$15,000 for 5 years and to then review the usage of the funding. A motion was made by Bob M to fund \$10,00 for 5 years and Tom M seconded. After discussion that this money could possibly be used at the So China boat landing, Bob M rescinded the motion. A new motion by Jamie P to fund \$15,000 for 5 years with Mickey seconding was accepted unanimously at roll call.

Note: after funding for Block A1 is finalized, funding for some of the above blocks may be adjusted upward if monies allow. The next meeting was scheduled for 6:00 pm on February 3rd.

A motion to adjourn at approximately 8:00 pm was made by Bob M and seconded by James W.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Michaud,

Secretary of the TIF