

Economic Development Committee
October 16, 2019 Johnsbury Village Hall
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In attendance:

Chairman: Josh Hagen

Committee Members: Bill Swenson, Pearl Schnur, Mark Wolter, Laura King.

Meeting started: 7:00 p.m.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	NEXT STEPS
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the July 17, 2019 meeting were approved with a motion by Committee Member Schnur and second by Committee Member Wolter. Minutes from the August 21, 2019 meeting were approved with a motion by Committee Member Wolter and second by Committee Member King.	
Old Business	The Committee continued discussion of the Rte. 31 corridor and the potential to develop north on Rte. 31 west of Johnsbury Rd. The Committee discussed a more outdoor mall concept vs. the big box stores that already exist in the area. They referenced how other towns have developed this and they seem to be popular as opposed to indoor malls. Chairman Hagen informed he would take all of these ideas to Mr. Hartnett to help design an updated vision on our maps. The Downtown area was additionally discussed for development. Noting that the sidewalks will help to attract more because of the convenience of walking to different establishments.	
New Business	Chairman Hagen informed that the Board of Trustees have been approached by a church looking to develop on Johnsbury Rd. The matter is up for discussion as far as the zoning, and how the committee and board will decide.	
Other	Holiday Magic is December 7 th , and registration is open for the parade.	
Adjournment	Motion by Committee Member Schnur to adjourn was seconded by Committee Member Wolter. Motion carried with all members voting aye at 7:46 p.m.	