

## Hingham Development and Industrial Commission Minutes

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, January 11, 7:00 p.m.

**Committee Members Attending:** Mike Kranzley, Jill Nilsen, Dan McGonagle, Kevin O'Brien, Brian Stack, Brian Tomasello

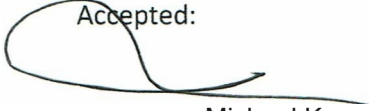
**Committee Members Absent:** Nancy Wiley

**Others Attending:** Michael Tesler, Gary Tondorf-Dick (Planning Board Liaison)

1. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the December meeting were approved.
2. Hingham Downtown Association (HDA)  
Michael Tesler reported that Hingham downtown merchants surveyed claimed that this holiday season was the "Best Christmas ever." Three main reasons: 1. Mild weather; 2. Use of limited marketing dollars seemed to work; 3. Christmas in the Square was very well attended. Some merchants feel that there is more community spirit and desire to support local businesses. People shopped earlier this year and spent more. There is some concern that a return to work in the city will pull people away from downtown. The HDA will continue to invest in the Third Thursday promotion.
3. Short Term Rentals  
Dan McGonagle sent a proposal which states that the HDIC is opposed to short-term rentals. The town needs to collect the 6% tax according to the new state law. There was a discussion regarding the legality of the scope of the HDIC recommendation.
4. ADU Update  
Brian Stack reported that since the study committee has not met since November 9, there is no update.
5. Harbor Update  
Brian Tomasello reported. He stated the need of an anchor to get people to utilize the harbor. There is a problem with the zoning, flood plain, and parking. Brian will get in touch with the 3A Task Force Committee to further research the topic.
6. South Hingham Update  
There was no Bristol Bros. update. Mike Kranzley will start to form a recommendation for South Hingham and will bring to the commission for discussion at the March meeting.
7. Future Agenda Items  
There will be a speaker at the next meeting from Massachusetts Economic Development. Hopefully, a representative from the Shipyard will attend as well. There was a discussion about creating a neighborhood around the West Hingham train station.
8. General Business and items not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance: None
9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Accepted:



Michael Kranzley

Chair

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