

Town of Milton

Local Government Efficiency Task Force

October 13, 2020

Meeting Notes/Minutes

Members Present in the room; Karen Golab, John Giunco, Mike Beaulieu, Tammy Smith, Claudine Burnham, Larry Brown, Ernest Cartier-Creveling, Bruce Woodruff.

Members present remotely; David Pratt.

Absent: David Benedict, Doug Shute (unexcused).

Excused:

Public: Kim Libby

Meeting Minutes

- ✓ The minutes from September 29, 2020 were reviewed.
- ✓ Mike made a motion to accept the minutes. This was seconded by Tammy. A roll call of all voting members agreed except David Pratt who abstained from the vote as he was not at the last meeting.
- ✓ Motion carried.

Bylaws

- ✓ Karen confirmed with Ernie that Claudine Burnham is a voting member of the task force.

Mission Statement

- ✓ The group further discussed in detail the creation of our mission statement.
- ✓ We reviewed all the individual mission statements along with one presented by Ernie.
- ✓ The group agreed to adopt the following mission statement;

We as the Local Government Efficiency Task Force have been charged by the Board of Selectmen to identify and recommend changes that will improve the financial position of local government by identifying local and regional cost sharing opportunities, revenue stream enhancement opportunities and other collaborative efforts to reduce redundancies and identify underutilized capacities in ours and other communities that can be shared fairly through what might be termed "Intergovernmental Mutual Aid"

- ✓ A motion was made by Mike to accept the mission statement. A 2nd was made by Larry. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

MED Survey (Milton Economic Development)

- ✓ The group went through the list of survey questions again and suggested changes and enhancements.
- ✓ Tammy will update the MED survey with the proposed changes and send to Karen.
- ✓ Karen will then send the MED survey to Dennis Woods and Bruce Woodruff for further discussion at our next meeting.

Logistics for distribution of the survey

- ✓ The group briefly discussed methods of distribution once the survey is ready i.e., Survey Monkey, possible doing a bulk mailing,

inserting the survey with tax bills etc. We agreed to table this as we are not really at the point of needing to nail down a distribution method yet.

Task Force Email Address

- ✓ We again discussed the pros and cons of using the email address that Ernie set up for us.
- ✓ Members were asked to give it some more thought and we can discuss again at the next meeting.

Public Comment

- ✓ Kim Libby expressed an opinion that we should be looking at cutting operating costs between the town and school or looking for any redundancies in the way of cost savings. She suggested reviewing a couple of the items the budget committee brought to light during their budget reviews.

Next Meeting

- ✓ The next meeting for the task force will be October 27, 2020 at 6 p.m.
- ✓ The meeting for November 10, 2020 has been rescheduled for November 12, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Adjournment

- ✓ Motion to adjourn made by Mike and 2nd made by Larry Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.