City of Franklin, New Hampshire
City Manager's Economic Development Task Force
1/25/2024 10am Franklin Fire Department

In attendance: Niel Cannon, Marty Parichand, Jim Aberg, Judie Milner

Others in attendance: Chuck Gilboy, Capital Regional Development Council (CRDC)

Milner called the meeting to order at 10:25am.

Group debriefed on meeting with Brian Bozak, President, Franklin Savings Bank. Group agreed that Judie will send thank you note to Mr. Bozak and Marty would follow up with a spreadsheet showing what funding Franklin Savings Bank \$250,000 donation to Mill City Park leveraged.

Judie to send most recent draft 2 architectural report for city hall/opera house project to group.

Discussed strategy for CDFA tax credit application due 3/5/24. First task, authorization to apply from city council. Judie announced it was done by resolution in 2022 so council will set public hearing for workshop meeting on 2/26 and then vote on the 26th. Group discussed tight turn around for application process. Group discussed partners to ask for support letters.

Niel reported that he had a positive meeting with USDA regarding the RBDG grant for the food coop. Judie to add authorization to apply – just vote necessary – to 2/5/24 city council meeting.

Chuck discussed Concord Food Coop model. Niel asked for letter stating how much of rev goes to payroll in Concord so he can address jobs in the USDA application. Niel may assign pieces of application as he gets closer. Apps due 2/28/24.

Discussed importance of TIF 101 workshop – scheduled for 3/25. Group thinking on best presenter.

Next meeting 2/1/24, 9am, Library. Cancel meeting 2/8/24. Back on bi-weekly schedule 2/22/24. Adjourn 11:25am.