



**City Manager's Economic Development Task Force Minutes
November 30, 2023 9am Fire Department**

Members in Attendance: Jim Aberg, Niel Cannon, Seth Creighton, Marty Parichand, Judie Milner

Others in Attendance: Andrew Cushing, NH Preservation Alliance

Judie Milner called the meeting to order at 9:12 am.

Group discussed 7 to Save designations. Group explained the trestle bridge option chosen by the council. Sounds like 7 to save would not assist in Trestle but would in Sulphite bridge. Talked about Save America's Treasures program. Sulphite bridge is DOT owned – should ask for a study.

Discussed Trestle bridge may be eligible for LCHIP – Andrew will reach out to Chair of the LCHIP board.

Discussed the possibility of the Opera House on next year's 7 to Save list.

Mr. Cushing left the meeting.

Group discussed Chinburg parking issue.

Group discussed WWP permit extension.

Group discussed Federal Farm Bill which has Merrimack County eligible for Northern Borders funding.

Discussed sharing the Architect's first draft report for the City Hall/Opera House project. Judie to set Niel Cannon up with Opera House Board to discuss sustainability.

Meeting adjourned, 11:30 am.