

SHORELINE GATEWAY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

3/16/23

The Shoreline Gateway Committee held a meeting at 5:00pm on March 16, 2023 in the Mezzanine Room of the Old Lyme Town Hall. Present were Co-chairs Martha Shoemaker & Matthew Ward and committee members Mary Kate Parker, Joe Camean, Frank Pappalardo, Michaelle Pearson and Kathleen Tracy.

- 1) Meeting was called to order at 5:08pm
- 2) Approval of minutes from February 16, 2023 meeting were tabled to April 20, 2023 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) discussed last month's forum with special guests. Wished we could have gotten more positive information out of the discussion. We also discussed creating a sub-committee comprised of one or two members from EDC, Zoning, Planning, Land Use, Affordable Housing & Shoreline Gateway to help draft new zoning regulations.
- 2) discussed budget request to Board of Finance. BOF approved \$25,000
- 3) discussed blight ordinance. Committee agreed it would be better to start from scratch, start small and specific to Shoreline Gateway area. Joe Camean volunteered to review/research other towns blight ordinances.
- 4) survey draft results were discussed and Kathleen Tracy agreed to help create a Powerpoint presentation so we can post the results on town website and present the results to other committees/commissions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Mission statement was discussed and how it should reflect what we want in this area. A three prong approach was also discussed: survey results, mission statement, moratorium. Discussion about requesting a moratorium in Shoreline Gateway zones to allow time to review zoning regulations and make changes. Michaelle Pearson volunteered to work on a draft Mission Statement.

2) discussed the Zoning meeting regarding 250 Shore Road

3) discussed creating sub-committee further

4) Next Action Steps:

-subcommittee planning to speak with Affordable Housing, Planning, Zoning, EDC & Land Use.

-further review moratorium process and how to make a request

-invite property/business owners to future meeting to discuss their ideas/problems/concerns

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Matt Ward

5) Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm