

Bristol CORE Zoom Meeting
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April 7, 2020

Attendees: *Ian, Taylor, Meridith, Aiden, Valerie, and Kelly*

II. Current Items

A. COVID-19 Discussion –

- a. Ian has been working with businesses to make updates about how to continue them locally during quarantine. Businesses here are still operating at a smaller scale. Ian will reach out to Rob Carter at the Chamber to see what other communities are doing and checking in with our business owners to see what types of support they need. Kelly suggested maybe spotlighting different businesses on the CORE Facebook page with ways people can still support local businesses and different products people can buy locally. Kelly will look at what Keene, NH is doing in terms of an emergency fund for their downtown businesses. Maybe we could explore a Bristol Box idea?
- b. Taylor and Ian are emergency contacts for grocery delivery for the Addison County Mutual Aid. Mostly elderly folks needed delivered services and shared stories about matching volunteers with those in need. Ian is doing a leaflet that can be dropped in a box with a phone number and contact info using the Hub phone number. Currently getting about zero calls a day! Taylor has been in contact with Mountain Health about checking in with

B. Fundraising 2020

- a. Been making progress towards our goal of \$5000 from the community and businesses. Ian will wait to reach out when it's more appropriate. \$2,500 from membership contributions.

C. Pocock Rocks 2020

- a. We have sponsorship money from \$3,800 from our typical sponsors and we're not sure about the paving of Main Street was slated to start in April with resurfacing in August. We discussed the options of talking with sponsors about keeping the checks in hand for next year or use some of it to support downtown businesses. Cancelling now will enable vendors to alternative plans to offer deposits for next Pocock.

D. Financial Statement

- a. Attached to email.

E. Coworking Space

- a. Status update – space is still open with very minimal activity at members' own desk. Some memberships are paused for now. Ian will go put paper towels in the bathroom. Will pause doing open marketing/promotion until COVID-19 dies down.

F. Town of Bristol

a. Main Street Lighting & Sidewalk Improvements – updates forthcoming. Bristol Town Office is closed and folks are working from home. Keeping projects moving forward. Meridith will likely be postponing Town Wide Yard Service. Not sure of status of the two parades – maybe we could amp up the fireworks display. Could we do a drive-in movie theater at the Rec Field? Meridith has been in contact with Porter about the Bristol Trail Network (which is still open) and waiting for guidance from Troy. Taylor has already posted signage about social distancing.

G. Board Roundtable Discussion

a. Valerie encourages us to think about how we express support and gratitude for our community AND also look at ways communities are providing actual support.

Next Meeting – May 5, 2020

III. Adjourn.

Upcoming Agenda Items

A. Conflict of Interest Policy