

Town of Winchester

Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting - Blue Room
Wednesday August 10, 2022

Item 1 **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Arcelaschi at 4:09pm

Attending Members	Todd Arcelaschi (Mayor)	Jonathan Morhardt (Selectman)
	Candy Perez (Selectman)	Linda Groppo (Selectman)
	Candace Bouchard (Selectman)	
	Steve Sedlack (Selectman)	

Absent Member Jack Bourque (Selectman)

Staff Members Josh Kelly (Town Manager)
 Glenn Albanesi (Town Clerk)

Item 2 **Consider and Possibly Act on the creation of a 2022 Strategic Plan**

* For comparison purposes, Town Manager Kelly made copies of the 2017 Strategic Plan available to the group.

* The 2017 Goals/ Objectives/Mission/Vision outline was also distributed as a suggested discussion guide.

* Opening roundtable dialogue centered on components the group felt should be part of the 2022 plan framework.

* Topics garnering the most attention included the following.

1) Grand List Growth - specifically growth that generates tax income

2) Continued Main Street improvements.

 Filling empty stores / Retaining existing businesses

 Beautification to enhance attractiveness and job growth

 Pursuit of a State DOT Traffic Pattern modification allowing nose in parking

3) Continued focus on Grant Applications

4) Housing Goals tempered by current levels of "affordable housing" balanced with local employers stating a genuine need for "workforce housing"

5) Potential development properties - Wallen's Hill / Batcheller School

6) Repurposing the 44 Elm Street (Bank of America) building to generate positive income flow.

7) Strategic realignment of personnel responsibilities with an inspired focus on community Communications.

Item 3

Meeting Adjournment

* Motion - Steve Sedlack / Second - Sel. Morhardt

To adjourn the meeting at 6:01pm

Vote to approve - Unanimous

ATTEST:

Glenn Albanesius, Town Clerk

