## Minutes for Arlington BID Meeting April 24, 2024

Attendance: Lt. Patrick Berry, Rebecca Edwards, Ross Hardisty, Bob Legacy, Rhianna Mirabello, Michelle Morrill, Danny Petrizzo, Ann Shershin, Dr. Adam Silverman, Jeff Silverstein, Bryan Swarthout, Jon Vincitore, and Bob Washington

Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.

<u>Minutes:</u> Minutes from the February meeting were read and corrected. Jon Vincitore made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Danny Petrizzo seconded the motion, and it passed with a vote of 8 to 0.

<u>Meyer's Olde Dutch (MOD)</u>: Jeff Silverstein is opening MOD burger restaurant in the former Blue Stone location. There is another MOD restaurant in Beacon.

<u>Caravan:</u> We discussed the caravan that happens December and whether to have it the same day as BID's Holiday Festival. Having the caravan and the parade together can be difficult for the police and highway department. Some are interested in making the caravan longer. Rebecca Edwards expressed her concerns. We decided to have a meeting with the highway department and the police to work out when would be the best time to have the caravan.

**Farmers' Market:** The Farmers' Market begins on June 6<sup>th</sup> and is moving back to the Alumina lawn. The sod has been put down. Cars may not be able to drive on the sod if it is not ready. If that is the case, vendors will need to drop their wares on the side of Raymond and park their vehicles in the South parking lot.

**501(c)(3) Status:** The attorney has reached out to Congressman Pat Ryan to expedite our application. We need letters of support from the town.

**Assistant:** Bob Washington has been hired as the assistant to the BID's manager. He was selected from among 6 applicants. Bob Washington will be running the farmers' market and assisting with other tasks.

**Economic Summit:** There were 65 persons who attended the summit and it was successful. We discussed holding an economic summit annually. Steve Tinkleman expressed interest in joining the BID and we can look investigate the steps necessary to do this.

<u>Sidewalk Cleaning:</u> We hired AA Property Services to pick up the trash along the side of the road and sidewalks at a cost of \$3,200 for the season. They will start in May.

<u>Committees:</u> Ross Hardisty will be setting up 3 committees, Marketing & Events, Budget, and Governance and assigning board members to each committee. The board is asked to email Ross which committee you are interested being on.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m. Minutes submitted by Ann Shershin