

City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Portsmouth Citizen Response Task Force
Remote meeting via Zoom
Tuesday, June 9, 2020; 11:00 A.M.

Call to Order; Roll Call; Determination of Quorum (the requirement of a quorum was waived per Governor's Executive Order 2020-04, Section 8)

Jessica Griffin was the Zoom host. City Manager Karen Conard called the meeting to order at 11:00 and gave the roll call. Present were:

1. Valerie Rochon, President of Chamber Collaborative of Greater Portsmouth
2. Deb Anthony, Non-profit representing the Arts Community
3. Russ Grazier, Non-profit representing the Arts Community
4. Kathryn Lynch, Non-profit representing Health Care Organizations
5. Mary Morin, Non-profit representing Health Care Organizations
6. Bianca Monteiro, representing Health Care Professionals
7. Ann Birner, representing Health Care Professionals
8. Joe Scarlotto, representing Restaurants
9. John Golumb, representing Restaurants
10. Jeffrey Goss, representing Restaurants
11. Karen Bouffard, representing Retail Businesses
12. Jim Lee, representing Retail Businesses
13. Samantha Finigan, representing Retail Businesses
14. Mark Stebbins, representing Hotel Industries
15. James Petersen, engineer, representing Hotel Industry
16. Nathan Moss, representing Citizens-at-Large
17. Sarah Lachance, representing Economic Development Commission
18. Alan Gold, representing Economic Development Commission
19. Kim McNamara, City Staff, Health Officer

Assistant Mayor Jim Splaine was present. Councilor Cliff Lazenby was present to "follow along." Resident-at-large, Senator Martha Fuller Clark was absent. Patience Horton took minutes. The meeting lasted one hour.

Welcome

Karen Conard welcomed the group and conveyed a welcome from Mayor Becksted, who was not present. She explained the purpose of the meeting was for members introduce themselves and appoint a Chair.

Introductions

Panel members briefly identified their professional relationships with the city.

Review Task Force Charge and Process

The task force document “Goals, Priorities, and Mission” was summarized.

Selection of Chairperson

James Peterson volunteered to chair and suggested having a co-chair. Nate Moss nominated Mark Stebbins in that capacity. Mark accepted the role.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, June 10, 2020 (the following day), at 2:00 P.M.

Adjourn

The meeting ended at 12:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
PG Horton