COD Meeting Minutes February 19, 2020

Meeting called to order: 6:06 p.m.

Present: Chairperson Michael McCue, Rose-Marie Bissonnette, Lesley Allison, Daryl Blaney, 5 additional Lancaster residents / prospective volunteers, Jason Allison (Lancaster resident and candidate for Lancaster Selectman)

Absent: Lorry Doucet, Carolyn Stump

- 1. Mike introduced COD members and presented an overview of the COD, it's initiatives and achievements, to prospective volunteers.
- 2. Kalon Farms: The owner has plans to hold large events. Mike obtained a copy of new prospective plans and shared them with the group. Plans include 2000 parking spots and other new features. Lesley mentioned that the layout of the building has changed significantly since Mike's last visit. The Commission will revisit the site to reassess accessibility, but apparent and existing issues include Handicap Parking area required for large no. of vehicles, Gazebo accessibility, patio/ function room inaccessibility, and Porta-Pottys that must be accessible.
- 3. Stantec proposal for ADA PROW: The report concluded that the cost to make the proposed accessible alterations approaches \$700,000. The town needs to also factor in what the existing "Complete Streets" program already provides for to avoid duplication with the PROW plan.
- 4. Town website: Mike Kennedy of The Center for Living and Working indicated that the Town should post an ADA grievance process on the COD portion of the town website.
- 5. A draft of the COD 2019 Annual Report was reviewed by the commission and approved.
- 6. Miscellaneous: Mike shared an inspirational story about a disabled child's positive response to a marketing display in Target that included a disabled model.
- 7. January 2020 meeting Minutes were reviewed and accepted as modified.

Meeting adjourned 8:06pm

Respectfully submitted, Lesley Allison