



**The Corporation for New Milford Economic Development  
Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting Minutes, April 23, 2020  
Via meet.google.com**

**Attending:**

Oley Carpp  
Pete Bass  
Adele Conner  
Denise DelMastro  
Kristen Gizzi  
Patricia Hembrook  
Raymond Kostka  
Christy Martin  
Paul Murphy  
Michael Nahom  
Ray Oneglia\*  
Adam Richichi

Ivan Shiffman  
Daniel Stra  
Tony Vengrove  
Buck Whiteway

**Absent:**

Mir Ahmed  
Dean Barile  
Liba Furhman  
Eli Noam  
Kerry Parker  
Regal Patel  
William Taylor

Frank Wargo

**Also Attending:**

Karen Pollard,  
*Economic Development  
Director*

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Oley Carpp called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of January 16, 2020**

Buck Whiteway moved to approve the minutes of January 16, 2020. The motion was seconded by Michael Nahom and were unanimously approved.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

Balances in the accounts are as follows:

- i) Cash - \$8990.00
- ii) Loan Account – \$25,416.34
- iii) Façade Account – \$14,926.30

**4. Mayor's Update**

The Mayor reported that due to Covid-19 there will be no referendum on the budget and the Town Council will deliberate on June 1, 2020. The budget recommendation is for no increase from FY 2019-20. Comments can be made via email. He also reported on other impacts that Covid-19 will have on the Town, including a very high unemployment rate.

**5. Economic Development Director Report**

Karen Pollard spoke in general terms as to what her department was doing. The Mayor assigned other staff to assist her. A “calling all businesses” program has been initiated and was providing good information as to what the town might do to help business going forward.

**6. Where do we go from here?**

Karen suggested using \$5,000 for videos to promote downtown. Oley said we need to do something that is visible. He asked members to make suggestions. If a program is developed, a special meeting will be called to discuss and approve it.

**7. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Liba Furhman".

Liba Furhman  
Secretary