

Sharon W. Turner, Chairman of Town of Amherst Industrial Development Authority, called a Special Joint Meeting of the Industrial Development Authority and the Amherst Town Council to order on July 6, 2021, at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall at 174 S. Main Street.

It was noted that a quorum was present as follows:

P	Sharon Turner	P	Jacob Bailey
A	C. Manly Rucker	P	Kim Stein
P	Clifford Hart	P	Richard Wydner
P	Aaron Mahler		

Town Council were present as follows:

P	D. Dwayne Tuggle	P	Kenneth G. Bunch
P	Rachel A. Carton	P	Sharon W. Turner
P	Kenneth S. Watts	P	Janice N. Wheaton

Town Manager Sara E. Carter, in her capacity as Secretary to the Authority, and Clerk of Council Vicki Hunt, were present.

Discussions were held on the possibility of repositioning the Industrial Development Authority to an Economic Development Authority or to expand the IDA's responsibility, authority, and oversight over economic development activities.

The group also discussed goals keying in on Brockman Park, downtown revitalization, small businesses, walkability and bicycle, and safety, and what steps might be involved to achieve each goal.

The IDA will, after looking closely at what the Town has to offer and what is most attractive to people and businesses, formulate a plan and ways that it can support Town Council's initiatives, to be presented to Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:07 P.M. on motion of Mr. Mahler, seconded by Mr. Bailey.

Sharon W. Turner, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Secretary