

Minutes from the Economic Development Meeting 1/23/14

Present: Robin Payson, Laura Bruno, Alan Urquhart Chairman, Jack Wells, Steve Venezia, Herm Wiegelman, Laurel Brown, Russ Galpin, and Jane Williams.

Excused: Doug Hatfield

Guests: Mike Tardiff, J.Segerty and Mrs. Rosemary Urquart

Meeting was call to order at 9am by Chairman Alan Urquhart.

1. Minutes from the meeting 12/5 was approved by Herm W and 2nd Jane Williams.
2. Central NH Regional Planning Commission Update: Mike Tardiff, Ex. Director spoke on the ability to do a Economic Development Implementation Plan - a visionary plan with objectives and rough costs to achieve goals and solutions. This plan will analyze Central Business District parking, Prioritize and layout a direction the town should consider for future business growth. Tardiff to deliver a letter of Agreement to Town administrator. Russ Galpin thought we are moving in the right direction.
3. Budget Review:
 - a. Encumber 10K for the CNHRPC
 - b. EDC Website development for Business and Industrial Growth 5K
 - c. Signage 1K - Parking and informational signs
4. Annual Report complete and delivered.
5. Business Directory, Brochure and constant contact – all branded with EDC website.
6. The EDC Exercise – Compiled by Laurel Brown – Tabled to 2/13 @9AM HPD
7. Membership Drive for Volunteers is needed
8. Ambassador Programs should be reinstated.
9. Round Table: Steve V –Planning Board decisions should be respected and we as a committee should show a unified front. Laura Sees a promise in the direction the EDC is going. She needs to keep all the town needs in mind in her decisions and is seeing changes for the good. Jane W. – sees Branding the town with a unified look across signs, web, brochures and messages. Jack would like us to review the exercise and be prepared to discuss on the 2/13 meeting. Herm discussed the 1M being invested in water and sewer to address quality and the Master plan is progressing through Planning Board.
10. New Business - J. Segerty Zoning Changes in the new master plan needs to list every possible business even the one not invent yet, some that we can't even conceive.
11. Adjourned 10:31 am motioned by Laurel B and JaneW.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Williams, Secretary