

The Economic Development Commission held their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at the Notch Road Municipal Center, Room 9 with Vice-Chair Cathy Teller presiding. Also in attendance was member Neal Kerr; via telephone member Jeanne Webb; and resident Scott Rich.

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Teller called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

**II. Approval/Modification of Minutes
October 27, 2011 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mrs. Teller to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Webb shared with the board that she received positive feedback about the Business Gathering. She also suggested contacting Ron Angelo, Deputy Commissioner of DECD, to see if he would be able to come out and speak to local business owners.

December 14, 2011 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Teller to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously passed.

III. Public Comment/Introduction of Guests

None.

IV. On-going Business

A. Commission Members' Reports

1. Rt. 6 REDC

2. Rt. 44

Mrs. Teller recommended that each member should review the Route 6 Study and Route 44 Study. This would help the group decide what areas they should begin to work on. The group agreed to look at the Route 44 Study before the next meeting. The commission will then bring suggestions to the Board of Selectmen.

3. P&Z Activities

Mr. Kerr provided the commission with a copy of an email from John Pagini. The email is a report of land use activities and included the most recent updates on the following topics: Munson's, Able Coil, NetSource, Thai Restaurant, Cider Mill Village, Aquifer Protection, Route 6 Hop River master plan and activities, Route 44 Moratorium, Route 44 Rezoning and Fire Protection Regulations.

4. Bolton Business Yellow Pages

Mrs. Teller reported that she was unable to obtain the electronic version of the Bolton Business Yellow Pages from Lloyd Bedik. However she did get paper copies of what he still had. Mrs. Bolduk may have the original Excel document, and if so will forward it on the commission members. The group will need to determine the best way to distribute the yellow pages.

Ms. Webb suggested possibly starting a Facebook page for the EDC. Mr. Kerr noted that if one is created, that it should be updated on a regular basis to keep people

interested. The group agreed to talk to businesses about interest in starting a Facebook page.

B. Outreach

1. Ribbon cutting ceremonies

American Arborist: Mrs. Teller spoke with the owner; however he would not be ready for a ribbon cutting for a couple of years.

Thai Restaurant: Mrs. Teller has continued to attempt to contact someone from the Thai Restaurant, however there is no answer when she calls.

Dean Cabinetry: Mrs. Teller spoke with Leah Dean and they stated they would probably be ready in the spring. They will keep in touch and provide updates on their progress.

Faye's Place: Mrs. Teller reported that this place has been in business for a year and a half. The group discussed possibly still holding a ribbon cutting.

Mrs. Teller will work on the Thai Restaurant and Faye's Place as the first ribbon cutting events.

V. New Business

A. Quarterly Meetings: The group briefly discussed changing the meeting schedule to only quarterly meetings. However the group agreed to keep the schedule on a monthly basis.

VI. Announcements

Next EDC Regular Meeting is on February 22, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 9 of the Notch Road Municipal Center.

The group discussed the Coventry Flea Market and the issue they are having finding a new location. Discussion took place about possible locations within the town that may work.

VII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Ms. Webb to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Bolduk
Board Clerk