

Draft Minutes

Exeter Economic Development Commission

11/18/10

Present: Brian Lortie, Don Briselden, Karel Kunz, Barry Sandberg, Julie Gilman (Selectmen's Rep.), Russ Dean (Town Manager), Michael Schidlovsky (Chamber of Commerce)

Also attending: Sylvia Von Aulock (Town Planner), Doug Eastman (Code Enforcement Officer), Don Clement (Alt. Selectmen's Rep.)

Meeting convened 8:15

Discussion

1. Plan-NH – approval of invoices – (Note-approval to be reconsidered 30 November)
2. Brownfield grants from REDC – sites identified –
 - o George Wool scrap yard-Kingston Road, Laperle site-Epping Road, Allrose Shoe-Winter Street (no significant contamination)
 - o Grants for identified redevelopment, signage and fencing, capping maintenance.
 - o **JG** to discuss with Theresa Walker (RPC) for options
3. Web Site status –
 - o Shared and forwarded distribution of phone not possible within Town system. Consider separate vendor account.
 - o **Karel** research web solutions, vendors
4. New member search - residents - need realtor, lawyer (B. McDonald?), business owner, bank.
5. REDC – Barry contacted, learned about CEDS funding source. Need representative at next REDC meeting in February.
6. Our mission –
 - o begin work while recruiting new members or wait to fill Commission? Decision – quorum seated - go ahead and add members as found.
 - o Recognize Commission is self-interest agnostic
 - o Community will ask “What’s in it for me?”
7. Mission – Where do we begin? Identified as citizen led group, community members as leaders.
 - o Ideas to expand tax base
 - o Consideration of quality of life
 - o Specific business recruitment
8. TIFF discussion – ideas
 - o Shared Exeter/Stratham water/sewer. How does sharing benefit Exeter?
 - Stratham economic growth possibilities along Rte 33 with new infrastructure
 - Exeter funding for infrastructure
 - o Areas – around train station, downtown, Epping Road
 - o **RD** to get TIFF expert and/or representative from successful town to Dec. 14th meeting

- o Need Master Plan – **K Knowles** to discuss at next Planning Board meeting. Can we get executive summary? **Sylvia**?
- 9. Agenda for 11/30/10
 - o <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-XII-162-K.htm> rules for local EDC's
 - o <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-I-12-A.htm> NH state DRED and funding options
 - o Meeting time 8:15
 - o Election of Officers
 - o Review of RSA's, Town of Exeter Ordinance
 - o Set/Amend Charter
- 10. Agenda for 12/14/10
 - o How do we get known, public awareness
 - o TIFF

Respectfully submitted,

Julie D. Gilman