

**Town of Somers
Economic Development Commission
P.O. Box 308
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**EDC Minutes
January 2, 2012
Somers Town Hall
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order

Chairman Lou Bachetti called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m..

Attendance

Members present were David Reed, Bob Schmidt, Tim Potrikus, Lou Bachetti.
Members absent were Rick Cheney, Ron Elliott.

Welcome newly appointed member

Chairman Lou Bachetti welcomed newly appointed member Tim Potrikus to the commission. Motioned by David Reed and seconded by Bob Schmidt to elect new member Tim Potrikus to the position of secretary. Passed unanimously.

Correspondence

Discussion of the Bi-Partisan Jobs Bill Public Act 11-1. This act promotes economic growth and job creation in the State of Connecticut. Motioned by Tim Potrikus and seconded by David Reed that the bill synopsis be emailed to all Somers businesses. Passed unanimously. Commissioner Reed volunteered to perform this task by weeks end.

"After Hours"

Commissioner Rick Cheney did not submit a report concerning the February "After Hours" meeting.

Business Survey Project

Commissioner Reed distributed final copies of the business survey. The time table is for mailing to occur on the week of January 8th with responses received by January 27th. Survey

monkey will be used to tabulate the results. The commission members expressed their appreciation to commissioner Reed for his good work on this project.

Probate Court Location

Commission chairman Lou Bachetti has had several contacts with the first selectman concerning the project of bringing the probate court to Somers. There have been discussions with the four(4) towns in the district and a meeting will be held in early January to discuss the issue.

2011-2012 EDC Goals

Commissioners briefly reviewed the 2011-2012 goals. Most goals will be accomplished by the time period ending June 30, 2012. The commission will begin formulating its 2012-2013 goals at its next meeting.

Business Report

The commission discussed the availability of prime office and retail space in town. It was reported that the Computer Salvage Store, 78 South Road(Rich's Drive-In), is for sale.

Other Business

Commissioners have been made aware of numerous complaints regarding the new transfer station hours as they pertain to local businesses and home owners. This issue will be on the agenda of the next EDC meeting.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Tim Potrikus and seconded by Bob Schmidt. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m..

Respectfully submitted by Lou Bachetti for secretary Ron Elliott.

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