Somers Economic Development Commission Meeting Minutes of 9/11/2017

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. EDC members present: David Reed, Rick Cheney, Vicki Clark, and Sarah Maskill. Community members present: Ed Sawicki and Megan Davis.
- 2. A motion to approve the meeting minutes of 6/5/17 was made by Mr. Cheney, and seconded by Ms. Clark. The motion carried 4-0.
- 3. Mr. Reed reports correspondence from Tim Potrikus regarding the Directory App: training is available. Mr. Reed sent correspondence to the BOS regarding the need for additional EDC Commissioners.
- 4. Old business:
 - I. Social Media Ms. Clark reports continued posts to the Somers EDC Facebook page. Ms. Clark encourages liking and especially sharing to increase participation with the EDC page. The EDC FB posts flow through to the Directory/Town app.
 - II. Mill Update No updates.
 - III. 2017 Business Directory: Ms. Davis reports that our database of businesses has been updated. She continues to collect advertisements, and will follow up on commitments. Ms. Clark recommends hosting a reveal event. Clark made a motion to discuss this event in the October 2017 EDC meeting. Mr. Cheney seconded the motion, and the motion carried 4-0.
 - IV. Directory App/Town Website: As referenced in Section 4 Part I.
- 5. New Business:
 - I. Board of Selectmen: As referenced in Section 3.
 - II. Town Center Development Project: In September of 2016, the EDC made a motion to support the Zoning Commission to initiate a review of the previous plans of the 190 corridor studies including Somers and Somersville, as well as a review of the current zoning regulations, and to work with a consultant to create a comprehensive plan for future development. Mr. Cheney made a motion to permit Ms. Maskill to send correspondence to the Zoning Commission and attend the October meeting. Ms. Clark seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.
- 6. Chairman's Comments:
 - I. General Remarks: Mr. Reed thanked Mr. Sawicki and Ms. Davis for attending.
 - II. Executive Session: Mr. Cheney made a motion to move to executive secession at 8:01 to discuss strategies related to the creation, publication, and distribution of the EDC Directory. Ms. Maskill seconded the motion. Invitees included current EDC members in attendance, with no guests. The regular meeting resumed at 8:27.
- 7. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the EDC meeting was made by Mr. Cheney and seconded by Ms. Maskill. The motion carried 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:29.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Maskill

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