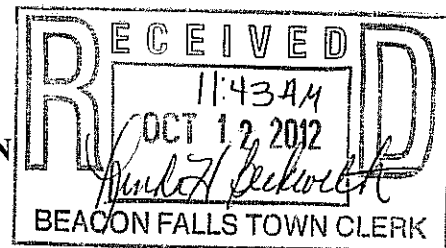


ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2012
MINUTES

(Draft Copy – Subject to Revision)



Jeremy Rodorigo, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission called the monthly meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners: J. Rodorigo, A. SanAngelo, E. Korzon, and D. Sorrentino.

ABSENT: C. Pusateri, R. Bradley, J. Betkoski.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Sorrentino made motion to accept the August 27, 2012 Minutes as presented, 2nd by A. SanAngelo. All aye.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. A. SanAngelo noted a good job was done on the Greenway Project's dedication ceremony on 9/23/2012. He noted the Economic Development Commission was never acknowledged at that ceremony. It was noted this was an oversight. A. SanAngelo would like to see John Monroe continue on with this project. Letter will be sent to J. Monroe thanking him for all the work he has done in Beacon Falls for the betterment of our Town.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

BEACON FALLS MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

No comments at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

1. It appears that DeCarlo & Doll is finished with the Town for now, as the Streetscape is complete.
2. Social Media will be discussed at a later time.
3. E. Korzon would like to see some type of rough draft with regard to parking possibilities on Main Street. He suggested taking a look at Stratford Center to see how they have angled the parking. J. Rodorigo suggested contacting DeCarlo & Doll to get information on earlier traffic studies they had done. A. SanAngelo noted there are parking issues at Full Harvest.

4. J. Rodorigo noted the grant application for Main Street would probably not be submitted as there just was not enough time to come up with a viable project and provide all of the necessary information for this grant.

NEW BUSINESS

1. D. Sorrentino suggested that possibly a cardboard boat race might be included with next year's Annual Duck Race and Riverfest, adding this event would do a lot to play up the Naugatuck River. It might be a good way to involve the youth as well. Commissioners liked the idea and decided to get the word out in November, December and January.
2. J. Rodorigo noted Full Harvest has closed.
3. A. SanAngelo noted Ideal Mfg. building is off the market. The building has 160,000 square feet.
4. Automated Mailman (former Auto Swage) is also vacant.
5. Dr. Dey has moved out of the Pruzynski building and that building is also vacant at this time.
6. It was noted Industrial Flame Cutting has capability of expanding up to 25 to 30%.
7. Kolga's moving out of 141 South Main Street to the Industrial Park could take up to 2 ½ years. It was noted a loading dock would have to be built.
8. Discussion of the Old Schoolhouse located on Rimmon Hill. Suggestion made on possibility of relocating that building to the end of Main Street. Idea also raised to get some volunteers to help with the clean-up of the area.
9. It was suggested that the Planning & Zoning Regulations with regard to drive-up windows be reviewed again.

With no further business **E. Korzon made motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. 2nd by D. Sorrentino. All aye.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Wilson, Clerk for the Economic Development Commission – Meeting 09/24/2012.

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