

**TOWN OF BEACON FALLS  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
JUNE 23, 2014**

**MINUTES**

Chairman Jeremy Rodorigo called the regular Monthly Meeting of the Beacon Falls Economic Development Commission to order at 7:30 pm.

The Clerk's duties tonight were covered by Erin Schwarz in Peter Christensen's absence.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Jeremy Rodorigo, Clare Pusateri, Robert Bradley, John Betkoski, Ed Korzon. Dennis Phipps (7:42pm).

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Brian DeGeorge

**OTHERS PRESENT:** None

**MINUTES:**

Minutes of the May 19, 2014 meeting were reviewed. **R. Bradley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by C. Pusateri.** All ayes.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**BEACON FALLS MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION:**

Nothing new to report. No kayak race this year due to unsafe water flow. J.Rodorigo to contact Public Works to return ducks to owners.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Part time position
2. Info booth at Farmers Market
3. Town Tag Sale
4. Citizen's News article on BF- EDC

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Exit 24 on/off ramp beautification initiative. State D.O.T. app. filled out. New project to implement center berm to deter driving over grass. Goldenrod Corp possible funding source.
2. New Company in Industrial Park: Nordco. 30,000 sq. feet. 30 employees. Manufacturers of railroad safety equipment. Company to use tax abatements/credit.
3. Kolga, in Industrial Park expanding product line. Possibly expanding to next door bld. with injection molding equipment. Owner Lee Nemith looking into utilizing wind turbines on light poles in parking lot.
4. General discussion re: trees, bushes, flowers, and other nursery items downtown.
5. Farmers Market to use "Grown in Beacon Falls" signage where applicable.
6. E. Korzon raised concerns over maintenance at Industrial Park. In need of mowing, brush removal and other maintenance issues. Concern over Public Works Dept. being short-handed for this responsibility. J. Rodorigo to discuss situation with Director of Public Works Dept. and to hopefully get on regular schedule of maintenance.
7. Part time position to pay \$10 k yrly. Board of Selectmen to do hiring. Job description completed by next month.
8. D. Phipps suggested BF/EDC business cards for Commissioners. Order yourself cards. Cost out of EDC budget. 250 min..
9. Town wide tag sale in the Fall discussed.
10. Joe Dorosh (new owner of former Torierra's Rest.) states Rose's Restaurant in Oxford interested in building.

11. J. Betkoski states considerable activity with former BF Market. Interested parties looking at remodeling and new facade. E. Korzon suggested assisting potential buyers with design, implementation, and other assistance.

12. Concerts in the park, (St. Michael's Church) are well attended and appreciated by residents.

**GRANT NEWS/UPDATES:**

None

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Clerks bill was approved for payment. D. Phipps made a motion to approve. Seconded by R. Bradley. All ayes.

With no other business, R. Bradley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Seconded by D. Phipps. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen, Clerk of the Economic Development Commission, Monthly Meeting-June 23, 2014.