



**TOWN OF BEACON FALLS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
APRIL 27, 2015**

MINUTES

Chairman John Betkoski called the regular monthly meeting of the Beacon Falls Economic Development Commission to order at 7:45pm. (Previous B.O.S. Special Meeting held from 7:00pm to 7:45pm)

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Betkoski, Jeremy Rodorigo, Kristen Trzaski, Ed Korzon, Dennis Phipps, Robert Bradley.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Brian DeGeorge

MINUTES:

Minutes of the March 30, 2015 monthly meeting were reviewed. **J. Rodorigo moved to accept as presented. Seconded by R. Bradley. All ayes. Motion passes 6:0**

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Rich Minnick asked the Commission for guidance and assistance regarding the repair and maintenance of the Sponsor plaque at Veteran's Park. Chairman Betkoski pledged the Commissions assistance.

BEACON FALLS MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION:

R. Bradley reports the BFMA continues to work with the Lions Club in preparation of this years Duck Race & Kayak Race scheduled for May 9, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Beacon Falls Market still on pace for May opening.
2. "Rivers Edge Pub & Grille" (the former Torriera's) moving ahead with opening this Summer.

3. The EDC's Information project with J. Voket is ready for review. The ad-hoc committee will be meeting on May 7th. at 7pm at the Town Hall to review the project.
4. The EDC's FACEBOOK page is up and running at www.facebook.com/BFEDC
5. Remnant's of the State DOT's Rt. 42 / So. Main St. median & retention wall project remains. Storage units, signage, and electrical meter boxes remain on site along with graffiti already on one wall. Chairman Betkoski has directed a letter be sent to the B.O.S. requesting they contact the State regarding the cleaning up of the site.
6. The angled parking project is still in consideration for Downtown.
7. E. Korzon reports that he has discussed a maintenance plan for downtown plantings, flowers, and general landscaping with Amity Nursery. They will be contacting Chairman Betkoski with more info when available.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. J. Roderigo reports that the Farmer's Market next to the Firehouse will begin on June 19, 2015.
2. Discussion regarding the need for a stand-alone EDC website. **J. Roderigo moved the Commission explore the feasibility of EDC's own website. It's potential cost, requirements, etc. Seconded by K.Trzaski. All ayes, motion passes 6:0.**
3. The need for a CERC Training session was discussed. Looking at a date in the Fall of 2015. Chairman Betkoski to look into involving other similar agencies to promote better attendance.
4. Chairman Betkoski has directed a letter be sent to the BOS requesting possibility of having Winter Brothers pick up the trash along the downtown walkway.

GRANT NEWS:

None

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

J. Roderigo moved to pay all bills. Seconded by D. Phipps. All ayes, motion passes 6:0.

With no other business **D. Phipps moved the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Seconded by J. Roderigo. All ayes, motion passes 6:0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk

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