



# **BEACON FALLS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

## **MEETING MINUTES July 23, 2018**

Chairman John W. Betkoski called the meeting of the Beacon Falls Economic Development Commission to order at **7:04 pm.**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Jeremy Rodorigo, Ed Korzon, Dave Pokras, Dennis Phipps, John W. Betkoski

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Brian DeGeorge, Ed Mulvihill

CERC: Sadie Colcord

### **MINUTES:**

**D. Phipps moved to approve the minutes of June 25, 2018, Seconded by J. Rodorigo. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

EDC Chairman Betkoski received a letter of reappointment for Commissioner Jeremy Rodorigo from First Selectman Chris Bielik.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. The replacement of the Christmas Tree on the median divider downtown was discussed. The viability of an evergreen tree is doubtful due to harsh salt and traffic conditions.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The Farmers Market will be continuing on Fridays next to the Firehouse.
2. The billboard project has proceeded with the hard work & guidance of our EDC Coordinator from CERC, Sadie Colcord. The billboard will be up in August in the area of I-95 & Exit 27 in Bridgeport.
3. Town Zoning Enforcement Officer Mike Mormile will be invited to the September 24, 2018 EDC Meeting to update the Commission regarding blight and zoning issues.
4. **J. Betkoski moved to cancel the August 27, 2018 regular meeting. Seconded by J. Rodorigo. All in favor, motion passes 5-0. The Clerk will notify the Town Clerk's Office and the Selectmen's secretary of the cancellation.**

### **CERC REPORT / GRANT NEWS:**

1. Murtha Industries is currently working with a possible new tenant.
2. An individual tentatively planning to bring a bakery/breakfast shop into town has been in contact with the landlord regarding available space next to the barber shop.
3. There is a Business/Commercial property survey scheduled to be mailed out in the near future.
4. S. Colcord has attended the Enterprise Coordinators meeting re: available pilot program funding.
5. Current projects include a Town marketing plan, News releases, and an open house in the Fall.

### **LIBRARY / COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE:**

None

### **PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**J. Rodorigo moved to pay the \$86.00 Clerks bill. Seconded by D. Phipps. All in favor, Motion passes 5-0.**

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**With no other business, J. Rodorigo moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm., seconded by E. Korzon.. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Peter A. Christensen*

Clerk