

BEACON FALLS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES November 26, 2018

Chairman John W. Betkoski called the meeting of the Beacon Falls Economic Development Commission to order at **7:01 pm.**

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

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Brian DeGeorge, Jeremy Rodorigo

CERC: Sadie Colcord

MINUTES:

D. Pokras moved to approve the minutes of October 22, 2018, Seconded by D. Phipps. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The EDC believes it should be more involved in the Tax Incentive application process. **D. Pokras made a motion** the Town propose an amendment to the existing Tax Incentive Ordinance that any future program applicants come before the EDC prior to the Board of Finance for a non-binding opinion on the application to be provided to the BOF. Seconded by E. Korzon. All in favor, motion passes 5-0. Assuming the change is made to the ordinance, E. Korzon then made a motion that the EDC provide a non-binding opinion to support the application of Dibra, LLC which will come before the Board of Finance at its December meeting. Motion seconded by D. Pokras. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The EDC discussed the possible relocation efforts of the Rimmon School House to North Main Street & Church Street and made the determination that the building should be preserved, and a replica building not be considered. E. Korzon made a motion that the EDC send a letter to the Board of Selectmen stating its desire to preserve the school house. Seconded by D. Phipps. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

CERC REPORT/GRANT NEWS/UPDATES

S. Colcord updated the group on the work done meeting with prospective businesses since the October meeting. S. Colcord also worked with tax incentive applicants, scheduling ribbon cutting ceremonies, planning events, and meeting with property & business owners seeking financing assistance. (refer to old business: tax incentive activity)

LIBRARY / COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE:

None

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business D. Pokras moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 pm., seconded by D. Phipps.. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk