

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**11 RYE STREET, P.O. BOX 389
BROAD BROOK, CT 06016**

Website: <http://www.eastwindsorct.com>

Special Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 29, 2013

I. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Members Present: Eric Moffett, Josh Kapelner, Ryan Nilsson and Maria Rumore.

Also in Attendance: Laurie Whitten, Town Planner; Richard Sullivan, Planning & Zoning Commission member; Andy Hoffman, Peg Hoffman
Tim Easter.

Chairman Eric Moffett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall meeting room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Two corrections were pointed out: Page 1, under Members Present: should read "Josh Kapelner arrived shortly after the meeting began." Page 3, Motion to adjourn, should read: "Kapelner / Rumore / Unanimous"

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the September 16, 2013 meeting, as modified.
Kapelner / Rumore

In Favor: Kapelner; Rumore; Moffett

Abstain: Nilsson

III. GENERAL DISCUSSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES:

Andy Hoffman questioned what the purview of the EDC is. Mr. Moffett explained that their job is to promote the town economics. They try to educate the public and town officials. They reach out to other organizations, such as MetroHartford Alliance and CERC.

Business Assistance Forum (BAF) and Meet & Greet: Ms. Whitten said she spoke with Denise Menard about the annual meet and greet and she wants to do the BAF again. It was suggested that they approach Merlot on the Water. Mr. Kapelner noted that some of last year's participants had expressed that the event should start a little later than it did last year. After a brief discussion it was agreed that January 30, 2014 would be the date to have it. Mr. Moffett explained to Ms. Rumore, the newest EDC member, that this is a way to have

business owners meet the town officials. Ms. Whitten said that this event is usually pretty well attended. She noted that we need to start working on this now.

Economic Development Forum with MetroHartford Alliance: Ms. Whitten indicated that they got confirmation from Becky Nolan from MetroHartford Alliance that she will be attending the economic development forum that will be held on Monday, December 9, 2013 at Scout Hall. This will be the annual meeting for all the boards and commissions.

Temporary Business Signs: Ms. Whitten indicated that temporary business signs will be on for a public hearing at the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on November 12th. They are not proposing to change anything at this point, only to extend it for an additional year. She noted that it has been going OK.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: To adjourn. Nilsson / Kapelner / Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene Bauer
Recording Secretary