

Litchfield Economic Development Commission
Meeting Minutes DRAFT
Wednesday, November 20, 2013

David Dean, EDC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT

Regular members David Dean, Renee Betar, Cleve Fuessenich, Kay Carroll, and Judy Elliott were present. Regular member Alexander VandenBerg was absent. Alternates Doug Parker and Mitchell Fishman were also present. Alternate William Conti was absent.

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Mitchell Fishman was appointed for Cleve Fuessenich and Doug Parker was appointed for Sander Van den Berg. Cleve arrived a tad late and took over from Mitchell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kay Carroll made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 30, 2013 meeting as submitted. Mitchell Fishman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STOP AND SHOP UPDATE

There is a pending lawsuit. No news.

VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

Various reports from members were given.

BANTAM NEWS

None

LITCHFIELD NEWS

Saltwater Grille has been sold to new owners.

Ditto's Restaurant has purchased its building plus the attached acreage.

NORTHFIELD NEWS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Things to consider for 2014:

What kind of businesses would be a good fit for the town? Preferably ones that are not already here. What property is available for commercial/industrial expansion/development?

Are there any barriers to new businesses or development?
Should the EDC undertake a survey to see how people view the business climate in town and what kind of businesses they would like to see in town ?
Are we current with our transportation systems and do we have adequate places to stay?
Should we enlarge our media footprint for internet marketing to promote the town?

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next EDC meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on January 29th, at the Litchfield Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Cleve Fuessenich made a motion to adjourn. Renee Betar seconded it. It passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Elliott, Secretary
Economic Development Commission