

Economic Development Commission

Approved: Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 30, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

David Dean, EDC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

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

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rene Betar made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 28, 2012 meeting as read. Cleve Fuessenich seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tim Walch came and he has expressed interest in purchasing the jail. He has bid on the jail in the past. His partner Edmund Sulzman also attended and is trying to get a sense of what local people would like to see happen with the jail. They would like ideas of different uses for the building.

LITCHFIELD JAIL

No report.

UPDATE ON STOP & SHOP

There seems to be more support from local people for a new store.

NEW TOWN HALL

The committee has expanded its scope and are looking at larger picture including keeping part of it in Bantam.

LITCHFIELD HILLS FOOD SYSTEMS

The market has moved indoors and is doing okay. Traffic is down and would like to see it increase. Some vendors are still growing food and bringing it fresh to market.

TRANSITIONS

The movie next week is Bag It.

NW CT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

NWCTEDC has eventually completed CEDS. They are now entering the final approval stage.

VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

There were reports on various committees.

LABA

Recent meeting was held at Haight Vineyard and was very well attended. There were several speakers.

OLD BUSINESS

None

LITCHFIELD COMMISSIONS

David Dean, Renee Betar, and Mitchell Fishman reported on various commissions in town.

BANTAM NEWS

Briarwood Nursery has broken ground in center of Bantam to start their new seasonal facility.

LITCHFIELD NEWS

None

NORTHFIELD NEWS

None

NEW BUSINESS

It was decided the EDC should not give endorsements.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at the Litchfield Town Hall at 7 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Kay Carroll made a motion to adjourn. Renee Betar seconded it. It passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Elliott, Secretary
Economic Development Commission
David E. Dean, Chr.