

# Litchfield Economic Development Commission

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DRAFT Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 28, 2014

David Dean, EDC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

### PRESENT

Regular members Renee Betar, Kay Carroll, David Dean, Mitchell Fishman and Cleve Fuessenich, Alexander VandenBerg and Judy Elliott were present. Alternate member Doug Parker was absent. Guests Robert Graham and Barbara Putnam were present.

### APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

NONE

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kay Carroll made a motion to accept the April 30th minutes as written, Mitchell Fishman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Putnam came to get feedback from EDC on preliminary ideas for zoning changes regarding home enterprises. David Dean what has been done is a good beginning but there is more work to be done.

### MAIN ITEMS

- R. Graham will attend the Board of Selectmen meeting on Tuesday to be interviewed for a regular member position on EDC.
- D. Dean read a draft of a letter to LABA stating EDC support of the idea of updating and modernizing these regulations to support current and future economic development and thanking them for time well spent.

### BANTAM NEWS

- None

### LITCHFIELD NEWS

- No news on Stop 'n Stop.
- No news on Jail.

### NORTHFIELD NEWS

- None

### Commercial / Business Properties

- 569 Bantam Rd. is under contract and due to close shortly. Use was approved by zoning.

### IMPACT FROM COURTHOUSE

- Bantam impact will be needed to fill space and keep post office in town.
- Litchfield impact will be loss of business for local shops and possibility of courthouse property reverting to family that donated the land.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Torrington is in the process of upgrading their sewer system and now is the time for any interested party to be involved in the discussion. Kay Carroll made a motion for David Dean to go to the Board of Selectmen on behalf of EDC and say we need to be at the table for the discussion of the sewer on the south end of Torrington in regards to development of the Route 8 area in East Litchfield. Mitchell Fishman seconded and it passed unanimously.
- There are several empty storefronts in Litchfield.

### NEW BUSINESS

- David Dean will attend Fundamentals of Municipal Economic Devel. Training.

### MEETING SCHEDULE

The next EDC meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on June 25, 2014 at the Litchfield Town Hall.

### ADJOURNMENT

Renee Betar made a motion to adjourn, Kay Carroll seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Judith Elliott, Secretary  
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