



Town of Westminister

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Economic Development Committee (EDC) – Meeting Minutes for June 3, 2015

Members Present: Scott Aubuchon, Bud Taylor, Erik Callahan, Wayne Walker, Jeff Crowley and Ralph LeBlanc.

Others Present: Steve Wallace - Town Planner, Karen Murphy – Town Administrator, and Special Guest Jon Golnik – Regional Director of the MA Office of Business Development.

Members Absent: Joe Serio.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by Vice Chairman Crowley.

The meeting began with an introduction of our special guest: Jon Golnik – Regional Director of the MA Office of Business Development. Jon has only been on the job for a month, but he took the time to explain some of OBD's programs and the Baker Administration's priorities for economic development. There was an extended discussion about the Town's economic development issues and its plans for the future. Jon departed around 7:30 PM and the EDC continued on with its other agenda items.

The EDC reviewed and approved the minutes from the April 1st EDC meeting.

The EDC moved onto discussing the promotional brochure/map, specifically where it has been distributed and where it should be. It was suggested that copies be distributed to the Circle K gas station on Village Inn Road, the Worcester Airport and the Old Mill. Town Planner said he would take care of this and also check in with the other brochure recipients in September to see if they needed additional copies.

In the absence of Chairman Serio, the Town Planner gave a brief update on the planning for the Cracker Festival to be held in October.

The EDC then moved on to discussing its project for the upcoming fiscal year: determining what businesses and industries would be a good fit for Westminister and then reaching out to them with some promotional materials. The EDC voted all in favor of spending \$45 out of its budget to purchase a PDF version of the Worcester Business Journal's List of the Top 100 Companies in Massachusetts. The Town Planner will secure this document and distribute to the EDC members in time for its next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. The next meeting of the EDC will be Wednesday night, August 5, 2015 at 7:00 PM in Room 112.