



## Economic Development Commission Town of Lebanon

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### MEETING MINUTES of November 28, 2023

Present: Jim Russo (Chair), Julie Chalifoux, Lori Jahoda, Pat McCarthy, Christine Warner  
Absent: Marc Cohen, Charlotte Ross, Jim Smith  
Also Present: Philip Chester (Town Planner), Michael Wolf (Farmers Market Master), Joyce Okonuk

- I. The Chair called the Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. and appointed Lori Jahoda and Christine Warner voting members.
- II. Public Comments – None.
- III. Meeting Minutes.  
**Motion by Lori Jahoda, seconded by Julie Chalifoux, to approve the October 3, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion unanimously approved.**
- IV. New Business
  - a. The Town Planner reported on development activity in town.
  - b. The Commission discussed how to promote agricultural education events for residents related to gardening practices, animal husbandry, soil testing, etc. Discussion included partnering with the Library, Historical Society, and Lyman Agricultural Science center.
  - c. Farmers Market. The Commission discussed the need for the town to hire a Market Manager to expand the market with a goal to add additional customer and vendor participation and SNAP acceptance. They asked the Town Planner to identify the requirements of a Market Manager.
  - d. 2024 Regular Meeting Schedule.  
**Motion by Pat McCarthy, seconded by Christine Warner, to adopt the 2024 Regular Meeting Schedule as drafted. Motion unanimously approved.**
- V. The Commission adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Philip S. Chester, AICP  
November 30, 2023