



Economic Development Commission Town of Lebanon

579 Exeter Road, Lebanon, Connecticut 06249

MEETING MINUTES of November 29, 2022

Members Present: Jim Russo (Chair), Jim Smith, Lori Jahoda (Alternate)
Members Absent: Marc Cohen, Pat McCarthy, Ellen Macauley, Charlotte Ross (Alternate),
Christine Warner (Alternate)
Also Present: Philip Chester (Town Planner)

- I. Jim Russo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and appointed Lori Jahoda a voting member.
- II. Public Comments. None.
- III. May 24, 2022 Meeting Minutes.
Motion by Jim Smith, seconded by Lori Jahoda, to approve the May 24, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion unanimously approved.
- IV. New Business.
 - a. FY 2023-24 Operating Budget
Motion by Jim Smith, seconded by Jim Russo, to propose a \$2,000 operating budget for FY 2023-24. Motion unanimously approved.
 - b. Town Planner Report.
 - Town Planner along with Jim Russo, First Selectmen, Building Official, and Town Engineer met with new owners of Grand Lake Spa who are planning to open a wedding venue and restaurant.
 - Planning and Zoning Commission held public hearing this month on application for new package store at 74 Norwich Avenue.
 - Prides Corner Farm planning 10,000 sq. ft. addition to loading bay.
 - Board of Selectmen proposing affordable senior housing development north of Senior Center on Imogene Lane. RFP issued for developer. Should Selectmen find developer and agree to terms, approval will require Town Meeting action.
 - Board of Selectmen investigating potential for new public works site at 889 Trumbull Highway. Approval will require Town Meeting action.
 - Final Winter Farmers Market will be held December 17, 2022 at Senior Center.
 - 5 farmland preservation projects in the loop.
 - c. The Commission approved the 2023 Regular Meeting Schedule.
- V. The Commission adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Philip S. Chester, AICP