



Economic Development Commission Town of Lebanon

579 Exeter Road, Lebanon, Connecticut 06249

MEETING MINUTES of April 4, 2023

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

- I. Jim Russo called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. in the downstairs conference room at Town Hall and appointed Lori Jahoda and Charlotte Ross as voting members.
- II. Public Comments - None.
- III. New Business.
 - a. Julie and Richard Chalifoux, Lost Oak Winery
Ms. Chalifoux introduced their plan for a farm winery that would be open to the public at 107 Bender Road and asked for Commission support for their Planning and Zoning Commission application.

Motion by Jim Russo, seconded by Charlotte Ross, to send letter of support to Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion unanimously approved.
 - b. Mr. Chester reported on the Grand Lake Hotel which is operational and has plans to open the restaurant.
 - c. The Commission acknowledged receipt of notice by Ellen Macauley of her resignation from the Commission with regret. In addition to Ellen's 15-years of service on the Economic Development Commission, including formerly as Chair, she served on the town's Design Review Board since its inception in 2013 and on the Zoning Board of Appeals, including as Chair.
- IV. Motion by Marc Cohen, seconded by Pat McCarthy, to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Philip S. Chester, AICP
4/6/23