

Town of Lebanon, Connecticut
Economic Development Commission
7:00pm June 27, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
Lebanon Town Hall

1.0 The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by Ellen Macauley, Chairperson.

Present were Ellen Macauley, Christopher Warner, John Kolar, Kirsten Westbrook, Christine Warner (Alt.) and Jan Grigas (Alt).

Absent was Jim Smith and Linda Reed (Alt). Christine was seated for Jim.

2.0 May Minutes

The May meeting minutes were reviewed and John made a motion to accept them as written. Kirsten seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3.0 LCBA

The LCBA annual picnic is scheduled for August 4th at noon. It will be held at Jason Nowosad's home. All EDC members and their families are welcome to attend.

The EDC has some remaining budget for the current fiscal year. Ellen suggested we provide support to the LCBA for their town guide. Kirsten made a motion to give \$200 to the LCBA to help offset the cost of producing the Lebanon town guide. The motion was seconded by John and passed unanimously.

4.0 Business of the Month Program

The EDC members reviewed the eligible Business of the Month submissions. Christine made a motion to accept Majestic Waterfowl Sanctuary as the Lebanon Business of the Month for August. Kirsten seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Ellen will submit the article to Lebanon Life and Chris will work on getting the information onto the town website.

5.0 Tax Incentives- Deferrals

Ellen researched tax deferral programs and shared how it might be implemented in the future for the Town of Lebanon. Due to the current fiscal situation, now is not a good time to propose a tax deferral program. This is something that will be revisited in the future when fiscal conditions improve.

6.0 Other/Misc.

Ellen reached out to the state department of economic development regarding the new State of CT “Still Revolutionary” tourism campaign. The funding for the campaign is a two year budget for tourism advertising for the state and no local town support or involvement is needed.

The final Village Center Study Report was issued. Planning and Zoning has a sub-committee that will review the report starting in July. The current expectation is that the full commission will take up the issue by the end of the year. EDC members are encouraged to attend all relevant meetings that discuss the village center.

7.0 Public Input

There was no public input at this meeting.

8.0 Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this meeting.

9.0 Adjourn

Chris made a motion to adjourn at 7:33pm. The motion was seconded by Kirsten and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:
Christopher Warner
Secretary EDC