### Town of Lebanon, Connecticut

#### **Economic Development Commission**

### 7:00pm January 25, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Lebanon Town Hall

1.0 The meeting was called to order at 7:22pm by Ellen Macauley, Chairperson.

Present were Ellen Macauley, Jim Smith, John Kolar, Linda Reed (Alt) and Chris Warner.

Absent was Kirsten Westbrook. Linda was seated for Kirsten.

Guests Present were John Reed.

## 2.0 December Minutes

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

## 3.0 Village Center Update

The public input meeting was held as scheduled on January 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting was well attended and the resulting consensus is that the citizens of the town want to preserve the green but are also interested in increasing the services available in town. There will be another stakeholder meeting on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

## 4.0 Business of the Month Program

Ellen submitted the Business of the Month Program (BOM Program) press release to Lebanon Life and it will run in the February issue. The EDC will be presenting the BOM Program at next month's LCBA meeting. Linda made a motion to allow Ellen to print up to \$75 dollars in copies of the BOM nomination form at Staples for distribution at the LCBA meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim and passed unanimously. Chris will create the BOM Program ad template and forward it to Ellen who will incorporate it into a presentation for the LCBA meeting.

## 5.0 Other/Misc.

The EDC budget for the upcoming fiscal year was submitted to the Board of Finance. The EDC has received no response from the Board yet.

Chris' re-appointment to the EDC is on the agenda for the next Board of Selectman meeting. Ellen made a motion that subject to Chris' re-appointment to the EDC by the Board of Selectman that he be re-elected as EDC Secretary. Jim seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The EDC received a membership renewal notice from the Windham Region Chamber of Commerce. The EDC members discussed the potential benefits of continued membership versus the cost of the membership. John made a motion not to renew the EDC's membership in the Windham Region Chamber of Commerce. The motion was seconded by Linda and passed unanimously.

#### 6.0 Public Input

There was no public input at this meeting.

### 7.0 Correspondence

The LCBA sent an annual membership application to the EDC along with information and an application for the upcoming spring expo at the Fire Safety Complex. Ellen will reach out to the LCBA regarding the membership and expo application.

# 8.0 Adjourn

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm. The motion was seconded by Jim and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Chris Warner Secretary EDC