

Town of Lebanon, Connecticut

Economic Development Commission

7:00pm August 24, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

Lebanon Town Hall

1.0 The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Ellen Macauley, Chairperson.

Present were Ellen Macauley, John Kolar, Linda Reed and Chris Warner. Linda Reed was seated for Jim Smith. Guests present were John Reed.

2.0 June Minutes

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

3.0 Business of the Month

Chris presented the final Business of the Month program and members gave input and suggestions on changes to the criteria. Ellen and Chris will present the criteria to the Board of Selectman for final approval and implementation.

4.0 Town Village Center

The town accepted a \$50,000 grant to study the Town Village Center in Lebanon. Legal notice has gone out to collect bids for the study and a steering committee has been formed to guide the project.

5.0 LCBA Business Expo

The Lebanon Connecticut Business Association is hosting their annual Expo on October 15<sup>th</sup>. They are looking to have the EDC co-sponsor the event. Chris made a motion to co-sponsor the LCBA Expo on 10/15. John seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6.0 Other/Misc.

There will be a new business coming to Lebanon on Route 289. A package store will be opening in the Lebanon Plaza by Johnny's Restaurant.

Ellen and Alicia Wayland, Lebanon town historian, attended the Windham Region Chamber of Commerce Tourism Summit on June 29<sup>th</sup> at the Nathan Hale Inn in Storrs, CT. The brochure swap was a success and helped increase awareness of Lebanon to other parts of the state.

#### 7.0 Public Input

There was no public input at this meeting.

#### 8.0 Adjourn

Chris made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. The motion was seconded by Linda and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chris Warner

Secretary EDC